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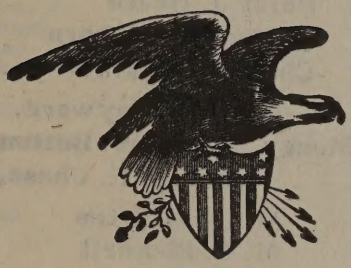
TOWN OF

Chelsea, Vermont



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Town Officers 1944-1945.

Moderator,		O. Fay Allen
Clerk,		J. M. Comstock
	Oliver E. Burgess	Term expires 1945
Selectmen,	Angier M. J. Edwards	Term expires 1946
	Dean H. Gilman	Term expires 1947
Treasurer,		J. M. Comstock
Overseer of Poor,		Charles F. Button
Road Commissioner,		George D. Lyford
Constable,		Chauncey C. Liese
Collector of Taxes,		Chauncey C. Liese
	Percy J. Heath	Term expires 1945
Listers,	Berthold C. Coburn	Term expires 1946
	Charles H. Baraw	Term expires 1947
	H. L. Hayward,	Term expires 1945
Trustees of Public Money	Frank W. Button,	Term expires 1946
	George E. Chase,	Term expires 1947
	Arlene B. Titus	Term expires 1945
School Directors,	M. S. Bicknell	Term expires 1946
	Glen A. Button	Term expires 1947
	O. Fay Allen, Jr.	Term expires 1945
Auditors,	O. F. Allen	Term expires 1945
	Russell G. Corwin	Term expires 1946
	Nellie S. Hood	Term expires 1945
	O. Fay Allen, Jr.	Term expires 1946
Trustees of Public Library,	M. S. Bicknell	Term expires 1947
	J. M. Comstock	Term expires 1948
	Mary A. Griffin	Term expires 1949
Superintendent of Schools,		A. C. Parker
Clerk of School Board,		Arlene B. Titus
Town Grand Juror,		O. Fay Allen, Jr.
Town Agent,		O. Fay Allen, Jr.
Surveyor of Wood and Lumber,		William A. Reed
		Guy W. Bowin
Fence Viewers,		G. Warren Cross
		George P. Bradshaw
Weigher of Coal,		Henry F. Gates
Pound Keepers,		M. S. Bicknell
		Everett F. Spear
Supervisor Old Age Assistance		O. Fay Allen
	S. C. Wilson	Term expires 1945
	Edward B. Hatch	Term expires 1946
Cemetery Commissioners,	Percy J. Heath	Term expires 1947
	J. M. Comstock	Term expires 1948
	C. N. Dearborn	Term expires 1949

Honor Roll

UNITED STATES ARMY

COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

Major Lynn L. Bowin
Lieut. Marjorie Burbank
First Lieut. Richard Betts

NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

M/Sgt. Robert Hook
M/Sgt. Morton Robbins, Jr.
T/Sgt. Robert H. Button
S/Sgt. David C. Gilman
S/Sgt. Robert B. Roberts
Sgt. Robert Coburn
Sgt. Stanley M. Dumont
Sgt. Charles Dupras
Sgt. Merrill Hayward
Sgt. Wilfred N. Hodgdon
Sgt. James Horton
Sgt. Raymond T. Reed
Sgt. Harold Walker
Sgt. Gordon Wright
Com./S. Merton Jackson
Cpl. Alfred Boardman
Cpl. Melvin Braman
Cpl. Victor Forrester
Cpl. Wilson L. Grant
Cpl. John R. Kennedy
Cpl. Orville Ladd
Cpl. John Liese
Cpl. Leland O. Richards
Cpl. Wayland H. Sargent
Cpl. William L. Scott
T./5 Floyd E. Reed
T/Cpl. Chester Richards

FIRST-CLASS PRIVATES

Pfc. Victor Austin
Pfc. Donald Bean
Pfc. George M. DeAlmeida
Pfc. Robert DeAlmeida
Pfc. Stanley Dickinson
Pfc. Kenneth E. Dow
Pfc. Carl Downing
Pfc. James E. Druge
Pfc. Bezar L. Eastman
Pfc. Lyle O. Felch
Pfc. James Forrester
Pfc. Guy J. O'Donnell
Pfc. Kenneth O'Donnell
Pfc. Walter Kennedy
Pfc. Eugene Slack

PRIVATES

Pvt. Steve Besnak, Jr.
Pvt. Wesley E. Downing
Pvt. Charles Hayward
Pvt. Vernon Hook
Pvt. Clifton Mattoon
Pvt. John Reed
Pvt. George F. Shirlock
Pvt. Robert S. Tracy
Pvt. John A. Bellefueille
Pvt. Kenneth G. Thompson

AVIATION CORPS

First. Lieut. Arthur DeAlmeida . . .
First Lieut. Pearl D. Eastman
Second Lieut. Frank V. Beck
Second Lieut. Kenneth L. Colby
S/Sgt. Lincoln DeAlmeida
Sgt. Stanley McCullough
Sgt. Bruce Roberts
Cpl. Archie McCullough, Jr.
Cpl. Harry L. O'Donnell
Pfc. Mage Royce
Pvt. Wallace Braman

WAC

Sgt. Evelyn Reed

UNITED STATES NAVY

Com. Leland Jordan
Lieut. Edith Burgess
Lieut. Charles H. Helmer
C. Ph. M. Lawrence Darling
C. Ph. M. Paul Higgins
A.M.M. 2/c Gordon Heath
M.M. 2/c George A. Edwards
F. 1/c Eugene Cleremont
F. 2/c Francis Scott
F. 2/c Reginald Tomlinson
S. 2/c Francis A. Dukette
S. 2/c Royal Laber
S. 2/c Winston Rogers
Charles A. Liese, Res.

U. S. MARINES

Cpl. Purl MacKiel, Jr.
Pvt. Edgar Downing

NAVY SEABEES

S. 1/c Rowan E. Tucker
S. F. 3/c Stanford Titus

TOWN OF CHELSEA, VT.

1944-1945

Population, 1,007 (last census). Area, 23,818 acres. Altitude, 840 feet. Miles of highways, 92.90, of which 10 miles is State Highway.

Real and personal grand list	$5,762.90
Polls, 458	458.00
Total grand list	$6,220.90

Basis of Grand List

List value of real estate in town	$449,988.00
List value of personal property in town	131,628.00
List value of taxable property in town	$581,616.00
List value of personal property offset	5,326.00
List value of property taxed	$576,290.00
One per cent of list value of property taxed	$5,762.90
Taxable polls, 458 at $1	458.00
Grand list of town	$6,220.90

Comparative Statements

Grand List		Tax Rate	
1940	$5,869.13	1940	$3.60
1941	5,912.73	1941	3.80
1942	5,977.23	1942	3.80
1943	6,205.33	1943	3.75
1944	6,220.90	1944	3.75

Total Tax Raised
(School tax included)

	Amount raised
1940—$3.60 and $2.50 old age assistance	$22,450.10
1941—$3.80 and $2.50 old age assistance	23,759.56
1942—$3.80 and $2.50 old age assistance	23,964.69
1943—$3.75 and $2.50 old age assistance	24,443.66
1944—$3.75 and $2.50 old age assistance	24,473.38

FINANCIAL CONDITION

General Town Account

Assets—What We Own

(Real estate and personal property not included)

Uncollected taxes		$2,739.62
U. S. War Bond (purchase price)		37.50
Cash on hand		
In General Town account	$3,308.39	
In Sanding Road account	312.99	
In Unselected Highway account	36.38	
In Snow Removal account	102.21	
	$3,759.97	
Less overdraft in General Highway account	154.84	
		$3,605.13
Due from State of Vermont on Resurfacing account		252.00
		$6,634.25

Liabilities—What We Owe

Outstanding orders:	
General account	$ 15.25
Highway account	15.28
Snow Roads account	10.95
Overseer account	161.55
Total liabilities	$203.03
Excess of Assets over Liabilities	$6,431.22
Net balance Feb. 1, 1945	$6,431.22
Net balance Feb. 1, 1944	2,716.07
Gain for year	$3,715.15

School Account Surplus

As of June 30, 1944	$1,565.09
As of June 30, 1943	142.24
Gain for year	$1,422.85

INVENTORY OF TOWN PROPERTY

(Real estate listed as per listers appaisal)

Real estate—		
Laird farm	$ 1,000.00	
Garage	1,500.00	
Town forest	50.00	
Town hall	10,000.00	
Town barn	300.00	
North Common	200.00	
South Common	200.00	
		$ 13,300.00
Office equipment	$ 200.00	
Town hall equipment	200.00	
Road machine	200.00	
Chains, tools and equipment	100.00	
3 Indian Pack pumps	27.00	
Tractor and plow	1,000.00	
Ford truck	400.00	
		2,127.00
Material and supplies on hand—		
Lumber	$ 85.00	
Fuel oil, lub. oil and grease	90.00	
Wood at town hall	150.00	
Wood at garage	50.00	
Blades and noses for snow plow	36.00	
		411.60
Grand total		$ 15,838.60

School Property

School building in District No. 1	$1,000.00	
School building in District No. 2	4,000.00	
Gymnasium in District No. 2	500.00	
Athletic field	500.00	
School building in District No. 5	1,000.00	
School building in District No. 8	500.00	
School building in District No. 9	1,000.00	
School building in District No. 10	800.00	
		$ 9,300.00
Equipment, furniture, etc.		500.00
Books and supplies		500.00
Total		$ 10,300.00

Total value of town property	$ 16,854.68
Total value of school property	10,300.00
Total	$ 27,154.68

OPERATING STATEMENT

All Accounts Excepting School Account

Actual Cash Receipts

Cash on hand, Feb. 1, 1944		$ 3,231.47
Delinquent taxes collected	$ 1,689.27	
On list of 1944	11,888.10	
		13,577.37
From State Treasurer as per Town Treasurer's report		5,737.12
Other receipts as per Treasurer's report		3,367.83
Money borrowed		3,000.00
Total cash receipts		$ 28,913.79

Disbursements

Orders drawn by selectmen for—		
General running expenses	$ 7,251.08	
To pay borrowed money	6,000.00	
For unselected highway work	4,959.04	
For resurfacing work	378.31	
For winter roads	896.61	
For sanding roads	182.95	
For cutting bushes	97.80	
Orders drawn by Overseer	1,759.64	
Orders drawn by Road Commissioner	3,293.37	
Total disbursements		$ 24,818.80
Unexpended balance		$ 4,094.99

PROOF OF AUDIT

Orders Paid by Treasurer Jan. 31, 1944 to Feb. 1, 1945

Selectmen's account, 1943 orders	$ 671.13
Selectmen's account, 1944 orders	7,235.83

Orders to pay		
Borrowed money	6,000.00	
Overseer 1944 orders	1,598.09	
Unselected highway 1943 orders	18.90	
Unselected highway, 1944 orders	4,945.84	
Winter roads	885.66	
Sanding roads	196.15	
General highway, 1943	2.86	
General highway, 1944	3,278.09	
Cutting bushes, 1944	97.80	
Resurfacing	378.31	
		$ 25,308.66
Orders drawn for		
Borrowed money	$ 6,000.00	
General expense	7,251.08	
Sanding roads	182.95	
Snow roads	896.61	
General highway	3,293.37	
Unselected highway	4,959.04	
Resurfacing highway	378.31	
Cutting bushes	97.80	
Overseer of Poor	1,759.64	
Total orders drawn		24,818.80
1943 orders outstanding		
General account	$ 15.25	
Highway account	15.28	
Snow road account	10.95	
Overseer account	161.55	
		203.03
Total orders paid		$ 25,308.66
1943 outstanding orders paid		692.89
1944 orders paid		$ 24,615.77
1944 orders outstanding		203.03
Total orders drawn		$ 24,818.80

Orders Outstanding Feb. 1, 1945

Selectmen's account—

Jan. 16, 1945, No. 217, A. H. Magalsky $ 1.25

Jan. 30, 1945, No. 250, A. H. Magalsky	14.00
	$ 15.25
Winter roads account—	
Jan. 20, 1945, No. 394, F. R. Thorne	$ 4.95
Jan. 29, 1945, No. 301, W. A. Reed	6.00
	$10.95
Overseer's account—	
Jan. 27, 1945, Mary Fletcher Hospital	$161.55
Road Commissioner's account—	
Jan. 31, 1945, No. 723, Richard Croft,	$ 8.00
Jan. 31, 1945, No. 725, Frank Gates	6.00
Jan. 31, 1945, No. 729, Dallas Melendy	1.28
	$ 15.28
Total orders outstanding	$203.03

TREASURER'S REPORT
GENERAL TOWN ACCOUNT

Receipts

On hand Feb. 1, 1944—		
General account	$ 2,859.61	
General highway account	15.66	
Unselected highway account	23.92	
Snow roads account	147.39	
Sanding roads account	184.89	
		$ 3,231.47
From C. C. Liese, Collector—		
Delinquent	$ 1,689.27	
On list of 1944	11,888.10	
		13,577.37
From State Treasurer—		
For town highways	$ 4,898.64	
For winter roads	33.00	
For winter maintenance	805.48	
		5,737.12
From U. S. Treasurer, agricultural conservation		85.44
From dog licenses		304.35
From liquor licenses		50.00
From lease land rent		58.50

From sale of Ovitt real estate		300.00
From sale of snow plow		200.00
From Roberts lighting fund		55.00
From Board of Trade fund		4.66
For use of truck and tractor		1,851.61
From sale of lumber		81.92
From sale of sundries		12.20
For share of state aid for resurfacing		126.31
From sundry refunds		26.34
From rent of town hall		211.50
Money borrowed		3,000.00
		$ 28,913.79

Disbursements

Paid selectmen's orders—		
General account	$13,906.96	
Unselected highway account	4,964.74	
Snow roads account	885.66	
Sanding roads account	196.15	
Cutting bushes account	97.80	
		$ 20,051.31
Paid road commissioners orders		3,280.95
Paid overseer's orders		1,598.09
Paid resurfacing orders		378.31
		$ 25,308.66
Cash on hand		3,605.13
		$ 28,913.79

JOHN M. COMSTOCK, Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN FOR THE YEAR ENDING JAN. 31, 1945

We take considerable pride in calling to your attention as voters of the Town of Chelsea that we are entirely free of debt with a comfortable working balance on hand. In the accounts, with exception of the resurfacing, we show a cash balance: Snow roads, $102.21, Sanding roads $312.99, Unselected highways $36.38, and General $3,308.39, a total of $3,759.97.

There are outstanding orders: Selectmen's $15.25, Winter roads $10.95, Overseers $161.55, Town highway $15.28, totaling $203.03, which taken out of $3,759.97, leaves cash on hand of $3,556.94. There is due from

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the State on resurfacing account $252.00, which will give us a balance for 1945 of $3,808.94. There is $800 which was reserved from the unselected state highway account that is available to defray the expense on winter roads. During the last year we used $97.80 for cutting bushes and trees from the highway, the reason this amount is small is because we could use some unselected highway money for that purpose and did. We would recommend that this work be continued through the coming year, which would about clean up the balance of the roads. The balance of the hemlock lumber on the Battey lot will be cut and removed this year.

You will note that there are still unpaid taxes Feb. 1, 1945, of $2,739.62, which if collected would make our balance $6,548.56. We would urge each voter whose taxes remain unpaid to make a special effort to pay these before the 31st of January 1946. The amount tied up in unpaid taxes is now too large and they should be collected by the Tax Collector.

If we should buy some new equipment as stated in the warning we could do this with very little increase in taxes provided these unpaid taxes were collected, in all events we should plan to care for the payment of any equipment bought within two years time.

Suggested Budget for 1945

Town hall	$325.00	Taxes assessed	$2,200.00
Town officers	900.00	Truck	500.00
Cutting bushes	300.00	Snow Plow	200.00
Miscellaneous	750.00	Dog damage	75.00
Insurance	175.00	Bridges	400.00
Streets	425.00	Appropriations	400.00
Commons	85.00	Snow roads	1,200.00
Tractor	700.00	Welfare Dept.	1,600.00
Interest	None	Civilian Defense	None
Laird Farm	100.00	Sanding roads	100.00
Lumber	500.00	Road machine	50.00
			$10,985.00

O. E. BURGESS,
A. J. EDWARDS,
D. H. GILMAN,
Selectmen.

SELECTMEN'S ACCOUNT

Summary of Orders Drawn by Chairman for Running Expenses to Feb. 1, 1945

Town officers	$ 809.77
Laird farm	20.40
Town hall and clerk's office	261.52
Miscellaneous	738.06
Money borrowed	6,000.00
Interest	60.00
Streets	414.80
Commons	85.50
Ballots and elections	98.86
Tractor (labor)	133.00
Tractor parts and supplies	503.03
Dog damage	16.00
Insurance town property	158.12
Cutting hemlock	147.65
Bridge repairs	178.17
Taxes (assessed)	2,141.17
Appropriations	500.00
Truck supplies, labor and parts	745.90
Road machine	30.29
Snow plows	184.99
Civilian defense	23.85
	$13,251.08

Commons

G. H. Hayward, self and truck	$12.00
O. E. Burgess, raking and mowing	73.50
	$85.50

Dog Damage

C. F. Button, 1 lamb	$10.00
Mrs. William Boyd, 1 lamb	6.00
	$16.00

Taxes Assessed

H. N. Mattison, county tax	$123.98
C. C. Liese, property and fire	122.92

Levi R. Kelley, state highway	717.39
Marion Button, Farm Bureau	157.63
Levi R. Kelley, old age assistance	1,019.25
	$2,141.17

Road Machine

Casellini Venable Corp., 1 blade	$ 7.70
O. E. Burgess, cash paid, bolts and express	1.03
Casellini-Venable Corp., 2 grader blades	21.56
	$30.29

Town Hall

Central Vermont Public Service Corp., lighting	$ 45.80
R. B. Tilton, paint, plaster, shellac and labor	5.50
T. Ray and Ellen L. Keyser, water rent	12.00
A. F. Sanborn, 2 lengths furnace pipe	1.50
Fred Dickinson, floor wax	2.45
J. M. Comstock, treasurer, 2 hrs. use of truck (wood and ashes)	2.00
Allen & Underhill, lamps and switch	1.20
F. E. Hood, janitor	187.54
O. E. Burgess, labor cleaning furnaces	1.20
Robbins & Robbins	2.33
	$261.52

Tractor Expense (Labor)

G. D. Lyford	$ 49.50
W. A. Reed	42.70
Kennedy's Garage	13.75
Dallas Melendy	.90
Forrest Sanborn	8.75
Albert Coburn	2.40
O. E. Burgess	12.60
Sidney Gilman	2.40
	$133.00

Cutting Hemlock

Robert Cahill, labor	50.50
Everett LaFrancis, labor	17.40
Roger Corliss, labor	22.50

O. E. Burgess, labor, cash paid for supplies	44.75
Ernest Royce, labor	12.50
	$147.65

Appropriations

J. M. Comstock, one half amout of town history	$100.00
Free Press Ass'n., one-half amount of town history	100.00
John Doyle, Memorial day	50.00
J. M. Comstock, Treas., Chelsea Public Library	150.00
E. B. Hatch, Treas., contract with C. F. No. 1 fire protection	100.00
	$500.00

Insurance Town Property

Allen & Underhill, tractor and snow plow	$ 23.52
Farm Bureau Mutual Auto. Ins. Co., truck	31.70
Farmers Co-operative Fire Ins. Co., Laird buildings	2.00
Union Mutual Fire Ins. Co., town hall	15.70
Allen & Underhill, town hall	42.60
F. R. Keyser, Granite Mutual Fire Ins. Co. town hall	42.60
	$158.12

Money Borrowed

Orange County Branch, National White River Bank in Bethel	$6,000.00

Interest

Orange County Branch, National White River Bank in Bethel	$60.00

Laird Farm

J. M. Comstock, posts and use of truck	$ 9.00
Everett LaFrancis, cutting posts	5.70
O. E. Burgess, cutting posts	5.70
	$20.40

Civilian Defense

New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co.	$ 7.87
A. H. Bailey, cash paid, repairs and express on service flag	15.98
	$23.85

Streets

Central Vermont Public Service Corp., lighting	$375.00
Allen & Underhill, lamps and switch	2.80
Ralph Lyon, plowing snow	32.00
	414.80

Ballots and Elections

C. C. Liese, lumber for booths	$3.00
Bradford Veneer Co., veneer for booths	6.00
O. E. Burgess, car and cash paid for materials for booths	2.51
F. B. Sanborn, building booths	13.70
C. C. Liese, ballot clerk	2.00
Ralph Coburn, ballot clerk	6.00
O. F. Allen, ballot clerk	4.00
John Bellefeuille, ballot clerk	4.00
F. B. Sanborn, ballot clerk	4.00
Ina Tilton, assisting clerk	2.00
Marion Grant, assisting clerk	4.00
Helena Sargent, assisting clerk	4.00
Winona Melvin, assisting clerk	2.00
The Chelsea Job Press, printing, checklists and ballots	29.65
C. C. Liese, setting up booths and presiding at primary and general election	12.00
	$98.86

Bridges

G. D. Lyford, labor	$ 16.25
W. A. Reed, labor	11.30
O. E. Burgess, labor	39.60
Dallas Melendy, labor	3.20
Albert Coburn, labor	1.80
Everett LaFrancis, labor	32.70
Robbins & Robbins, spikes	4.90

Button Bros.	.70
The Barrett Division, tarvia	25.72
J. M. Comstock, Treas., use of truck	42.00
	$178.17

Town Officers

A. H. Bailey, auditor	$ 17.40
R. G. Corwin, auditor	16.60
O. F. Allen, auditor	17.20
B. C. Coburn, lister	40.00
C. H. Baraw, lister	35.00
P. J. Heath, lister	40.00
J. M. Comstock, lister and making tax bill	33.00
O. E. Burgess, chairman selectmen	75.00
Angier Edwards, selectman	15.00
D. H. Gilman, selectman	15.00
C. F. Button, overseer	50.00
O. F. Allen, Sr., health officer services and cash paid	68.05
C. C. Liese, tax collector	247.73
J. M. Comstock, town clerk, treasurer and postage paid	139.79
	$809.77

Snow Plows

Angier Edwards, labor and parts	$ 5.90
Kennedy's Garage, labor and parts	3.50
A. M. Flanders, Inc., welding	10.55
Reynolds & Sons, Inc., rope and bolts	5.34
Durkee's Garage, sharpening grousers	68.40
Lincoln Iron Works, parts	14.40
G. D. Lyford, labor	31.75
W. A. Reed, labor	16.90
O. E. Burgess, labor and express on parts	14.25
A. H. Magalsky, welding blades	14.00
	$184.99

Tractor Expense (Supplies)

P. J. Perkins Co., parts	$ 24.44
Perkins Eaton Co., parts	62.41
Casellini-Venable Corp., parts	147.52
O. E. Burgess, cash paid for express and parts	8.79

Durkee's Garage, sharpening grousers	90.00
Guy Ladd, express on parts	3.58
H. F. Gates, gas, oil and supplies	38.07
F. A. Slayton, fuel oil	106.12
A. F. Sanborn, glass	2.50
Kennedy's Garage	4.25
H. N. Sanborn, 1 battery	15.35
	$503.03

Truck

Motor Vehicle Dept., license	$10.00
H. N. Sanborn, tires, tubes and battery	218.53
Guy Ladd, parts	1.00
O. E. Burgess, labor and cash paid for supplies	9.39
G. F. Flint, tax stamp	5.00
A. M. Flanders, Inc., welding	20.00
Kennedy Garage, labor, parts and supplies	181.12
E. H. Colby, gas, oil, etc.	91.24
H. F. Gates, gas, oil, etc.	196.75
A. H. Magalsky, gas, oil, etc.	12.87
	$745.90

Miscellaneous

Central Vermont Public Service Corp.	$11.40
New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone tolls and rentals	46.55
The Chelsea Job Press, printing town reports	112.75
J. M. Comstock, postage, town reports	3.52
Alice Walker, ministerial money, West Hill church	19.50
Brown & Saltman, dog tags	6.60
The Chelsea Job Press, printing, order books, signs, postage, etc.	26.62
Theo Taplin, burying dead calf	1.00
J. H. Lamson, parts for Davis lawn mower	3.75
Max Hayward, sharpening lawn mower	1.50
C. C. Liese, patrol work July 3	2.00
J. H. Lamson, repairs for lawn mower	3.89
O. E. Burgess, mowing and raking old cemetery	12.00
C. C. Liese, postage, tax notices	7.15

C. C. Liese, dog warrant	4.80
E. H. Colby, supplies	20.20
G. D. Lyford, labor on wood and ashes	2.65
O. E. Burgess, labor on wood and ashes	2.45
Robbins & Robbins, three 5-Gal. cans	3.75
C. C. Liese, mowing Laird cemetery (Dave Blakeney taxes)	4.00
O. E. Burgess, labor on explosive houses	13.80
O. E. Burgess, cash paid for materials for the above	7.46
G. D. Lyford, labor on explosive houses	1.40
A. M. Flanders, Inc., mending chains	1.50
C. C. Liese (collector), George Ovitt Est. taxes	9.10
O. E. Burgess, cash paid for supplies	3.00
H. W. Burbank & Son, use of water tub	2.00
United Churches, ministerial money	39.00
United Churches, care of clock	15.00
O. E. Burgess, postage	5.11
A. H. Magalsky, mending chains	1.25
O. F. Allen, Jr., services as town attorney	19.15
Mrs. Alice Allen, mowing and raking Lincoln and Allen cemeteries	4.50
C. C. Liese, Collector, taxes abated	176.63
J. M. Comstock, reporting communicable diseases	6.87
Dr. W. C. Mitchell, services in conjunction with Board of Health	8.00
J. M. Comstock, Treas., town's share of state aid money (resurfacing)	126.31
	$738.06

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Our town highway system comprises 92.90 miles of roads, divided as follows: 4.60 miles "state aid" highway, 10.75 miles of "state" highway and 77.55 miles of "town" highway. The state highway is the highway from the Tunbridge town line to the Washington town line and from the junction near the Bank block to the Vershire line. The state aid highways are the road from George Densmore's to the Brookfield line above Irving Hood's and from the junction near James Kennedy's to the Arthur Bacon place. The balance are town highways.

GENERAL HIGHWAY ACCOUNT

Geo. D. Lyford, Road Commissioner

What We Had to Spend

Town tax of 50 cents	$3,110.45
Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1944	12.80
Total	$3,123.25
Orders drawn	$3,293.37
Leaving an overdraft of	$170.12
Treasurer's account shows	O. D. $154.84
Plus outstanding orders	15.28
	O. D. $170.12

Orders Outstanding Feb. 1, 1945

Jan. 31, 1945	No. 723	Richard Croft	$8.00
Jan. 31, 1945	No. 725	Frank Gates	6.00
Jan. 31, 1945	No. 729	Dallas Melendy	1.28
			$15.28

Summary

Paid for labor	$2,479.84
Paid for material	54.70
Paid for equipment	758.83
Total orders drawn	$3,293.37

Orders Drawn by Geo. D. Lyford, Road Commissioner

W. A. Reed, labor	$366.80
C. M. Hook, labor	32.70
Walter Grant, labor with team	68.34
Alton Felch, labor with team	60.00
Geo. M. Taylor, labor with team	48.00
Arthur O'Donnell, labor with tractor	21.60
Donald Ramsey, labor	10.80
Dan Densmore, labor with team	30.40
H. G. Lyford, labor with team	42.00
D. T. Hale, labor with team	18.00
Athol Coburn, labor with team	63.00
Ralph Coburn, labor with team	33.60

A. Edwards, labor with tractor	12.50
Ben Goodrich, labor	13.95
Elmer Woodworth, labor with team	16.20
A. J. Dupras, labor with team	102.00
Mark Dunbar, labor	25.20
Walter Druge, labor with team	89.40
O. E. Burgess, labor	172.20
Forrest Sanborn, labor	164.00
George D. Lyford, labor	448.95
Everett LaFrancis, labor	244.10
Dallas Melendy, labor	199.30
W. E. Hook, labor	104.80
Frank Gates, labor with team	6.00
Earl Thorne, labor	8.70
Allen & Underhill, bond	20.00
Allen & Underhill, book	1.50
S. C. Wilson, gravel	53.20
Richard Croft, shovels	8.00
C. C. Liese, lumber	1.50
Collector of Internal Revenue	55.80
Town Treasurer, use of tractor	291.33
Town Treasurer, use of truck	459.50
	$3,293.37

Revenue Tax Taken Out

Dallas Melendy	$20.30
W. E. Hook	11.00
O. E. Burgess	2.40
Forrest Sanborn	4.70
Everett LaFrancis	3.20
George D. Lyford	9.90
W. A. Reed	4.30
	$55.80

UNSELECTED HIGHWAYS

G. D. Lyford, Foreman

Orders Drawn By Selectmen

Amount on hand Feb. 1, 1944	$5.02
Received from State	4,898.64
Received from S. C. Wilson, opening pit	17.50

Received from resurfacing account	74.26
	$4,995.42
Orders drawn	4,959.04
Amount on hand Feb. 1, 1945	$36.38

Orders Drawn

Everett LaFrancis, labor	$399.90
O. E. Burgess, labor	332.15
C. M. Hook, labor	69.30
Clyde Hook, labor	63.20
W. A. Reed, labor	315.25
G. D. Lyford, labor	458.75
Dallas Melendy, labor	201.25
Orange Taylor, labor	328.70
C. L. Lyford, labor	33.80
A. P. Morey, labor	2.70
Bernard Brown, labor	72.80
Town of Tunbridge, use of truck	160.60
Raymond Moulton, use of truck	171.60
A. H. Magalsky, man and truck	292.10
Virgil Gates, man and truck	30.95
George Wight, man and truck	77.15
P. D. Sargent, man and truck	57.68
M. E. Tucker, man and truck	82.80
Parker Hill, man and truck	41.40
S. B. Manning, shovel and operator	732.50
Warren Mattoon, 2 logs for culvert	2.00
Lyman Sprague, dirt for fill	2.40
J. M. Comstock, Treas., use of grader and tractor	171.34
J. M. Comstock, Treas., use of truck	454.55
J. M. Comstock, Treas., planks for culverts	65.13
J. M. Comstock, Treas., posts	8.00
Vermont Explosives, Inc., dynamite	32.50
O. E. Burgess, cash paid, kerosene for flares	.68
A. F. Sanborn, 2 reels barbed wire	8.00
Button Bros., 1 reel barbed wire	5.00
S. C. Wilson, gravel	174.90
G. F. Moxley, gravel	28.40
Mrs. Elizabeth Sutton, tolls	9.06
Collector Internal Revenue	72.50
Total	$4,959.04

SNOW ROADS

Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1944	$147.39
Received from State on state aid roads	33.00
Received from State on unselected roads	805.48
Received from E. G. Thorne, refund	2.00
	$987.87
Total orders drawn	896.61
Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1945	$91.26

Orders Drawn

G. D. Lyford, labor	$294.10
W. A. Reed, labor	191.95
O. E. Burgess, labor	34.30
Angier Edwards, labor	92.00
Robert Edwards, labor	17.00
W. Duckett, labor	4.50
Merrill Whitney, labor	30.60
Orange Taylor, labor	5.40
Everett LaFrancis, labor	59.55
Gerald Slack, labor	42.52
F. R. Thorne, labor	19.95
Harold Hayward, labor	1.50
John Gardner, self, man and tractor	57.90
Earl Russell, self and team	16.50
Guy Bowin, self and team	1.50
E. G. Thorne, self and team	12.10
J. M. Comstock, Treas., use of truck on snow fence	15.00
O. E. Burgess, cash paid for bolts	.24
	$896.61

Orders Outstanding

No. 394	Jan. 20, 1945	F. R. Thorne	$4.95
No. 201	Jan. 29, 1945	W. A. Reed	6.00
			$10.95

SANDING ROADS

Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1944	$184.89
Amount available, 1944—5-cent tax	311.05
	$495.94
Total orders drawn	182.95
Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1945	$312.99

Orders Drawn

G. D. Lyford, labor	$20.35
Dallas Melendy, labor	1.80
E. G. LaFrancis, labor	5.10
O. E. Burgess, labor	33.00
Sidney Gilman, labor	.60
W. A. Reed, labor	5.40
International Salt Co., salt	40.00
Bert Wight, 57 yards sand at 10¢	5.70
J. M. Comstock, Treas., use of truck	71.00
	$182.95

RESURFACING

G. D. Lyford, Foreman

Orders Drawn by Selectmen

Amount due from State	$252.00
Amount paid by Town	126.31
Total available	$378.31
Orders drawn	$378.31

Total of time sheets and material, $383.46

Orders Drawn

A. H. Magalsky, man and truck	$37.95
M. E. Tucker, man and truck	34.50
Parker Hill, man and truck	49.45
George Wight, man and truck	17.25
Town of Tunbridge, use of truck	14.30
Raymond Moulton, use of truck	39.66
Bernard Brown, labor	8.46
G. D. Lyford, labor	11.90
Orange Taylor, labor	16.58

W. A. Reed, labor	10.20
Everett LaFrancis, labor	10.20
O. E. Burgess, labor	4.80
S. C. Wilson, gravel	48.80
J. M. Comstock, Treas., cash paid, use of shovel	72.50
J. M. Comstock, Treas., cash paid, tolls	1.76
Total	$378.31

CUTTING BUSHES

Everett LaFrancis, labor	$48.90
O. E. Burgess, labor	46.50
C. M. Hook, labor	2.40
	$97.80

WELFARE DEPARTMENT

Public Welfare Department for dependent children		$ 347.49
Mrs. Lewis Austin, hospital bill		57.00
Dave Blakney family—		
Groceries and clothing	$170.83	
Care of child	18.56	
Doctor services	10.00	
		199.39
Guy Coburn—		
Hospital bill	94.00	
Doctor	4.00	
Board and care	144.00	
Trucking, 2 loads goods	12.00	
		254.00
George Ovitt—		
Groceries and clothing	104.35	
Hospital	62.68	
Doctor services	3.50	
Funeral expense	125.00	
Digging and covering grave	15.00	
		310.53
Walter Lyon, hospital care		359.85
Mark Dunbar, groceries and clothing		164.93
Robert Wakelee, unpaid balance of		

funeral expense	39.80
For care of tramp	14.00
Postage and telephone	1.90
Order book	.75
Clyde Beede family, doctor's services	6.00
Joseph Horton, part grocery a/c	4.00
Total orders drawn	$1,759.64

CHARLES F. BUTTON
Overseer.

ROBERTS POOR FUND

Disbursements have been made from the Roberts Poor Fund for the benefit of 11 persons or families within the year, to the amount of	$908.23
For flour for members of the board	42.80
	$951.03

TREASURER'S REPORT

In Account With Roberts Poor Fund Board

Receipts

Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1944	$1,167.95
Received from Old Colony Trust Co., income of fund	450.00
Received interest on savings account	3.20
	$1,621.15

Disbursements

Paid 24 orders drawn by board	951.03
Balance on hand Jan. 31, 1945	$670.12

This balance is made up as follows:

Checking account in National White River Bank, Orange County Branch	$ 98.23
Savings account in same bank	571.89
	$670.12

JOHN M. COMSTOCK,
Treasurer.

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE DEPARTMENT
120 State Street
Montpelier, Vermont

For the information of your taxpayers the customary annual statement is presented for your town report.

Payments of old age assistance to persons applying from your town amounted to $7,103.00 during the year January 1, 1944, to December 31, 1944.

The number of recipients in December, 1944, was 26.

The resources of this department and its ability to make payments are determined by the state apropriation which is matched by federal funds. During recent months it has not been possible to grant assistance or to increase all who were found eligible after investigation. The cost of living has increased so much that about every case needs to be increased that is not now getting the maximum. The cooperation of overseers in extending temporary aid and supplementary medical services has been very helpful.

The administrative expenses of this department have risen slightly during the biennial period but the administrative review of the Social Security Board emphasizes that the total administrative cost per case per month is among the lowest in the country.

The advice and counsel of local officials and interested people are gratefully acknowledged by this department and its field staff.

Very sincerely yours,

WILLIAM L. SEWARD,
Director.

REPORT OF CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

The following new funds for care of lots have been received during the year:

Belle C. Bixby's estate (additional)	$ 56.00
Harry N. Sanborn	100.00
Mrs. Marion G. Bryant	100.00
Mrs. Hittie M. Cook (additional)	58.90
Mrs. Anna M. Whitney	100.00
Grace M. Bixby's estate	100.00
Jotie F. Kimball's estate	100.00
Nellie R. Ballou's estate	100.00

Received for Care of Lots

On account of the increased expense for labor, we found it necessary to request $3.00 for the care of a whole lot and $1.50 for the care of a half lot. The following sums were paid by individuals in 1944:

$3 each—Mrs. Irene C. Austin, C. W. Bacon, G. A. Bixby, Mrs. C. E. Blanchard, Harry Braman, Mrs. W. R. Burgess, H. H. Campbell, Harriet M. Chandler's estate, A. M. Clough, Mrs. Maud M. Cozzens, Guy T. Densmore, W. A. Densmore, H. L. Dodge, Frank Dudash, Mrs. Edith Dumont, C. W. Eastman, H. F. Gates, Mrs. Florence Geoffrion, W. C. Goodwin, Mrs. Mary A. Griffin, Mrs. Mary Hartley, Dr. R. L. Hill, T. N. Hill, F. M. Kendall, G. E. Kennedy, H. O. Ladd, Mrs. Emma Lathrop, A. E. McCullough, Mrs. Margaret McFarlane, Katherine M. Puffer, M. L. Sleeper, L. I. Thompson, S. C. Wilson, H. G. Woodruff—34 $102.00

$9 each—Mrs. Iola Rollins, K. W. Waterson—2 18.00

$6 each—Henry Clarke, Mrs. Alice L. George—2 12.00

$4.50 each—O. E. Burgess, Mrs. G. H. Helmer—2 9.00

$4 each—C. M. Coburn—1 4.00

$2.50 each—Minnie S. Goss' estate—1 2.50

$2 each—Mrs. Mildred T. Benway, H. E. Corwin, H. B. Jones, Mrs. Nellie Pepper, C. E. Riggs, —5 10.00

$1.50 each—Leroy Armington, Mrs. L. H. Bacon, C. H. Baraw, Mrs. Marion Betts, E. G. Cloud, Mrs. Carrie Dexter, Helen G. Dow, P. J. Heath, H. H. Hodgdon, M. A. Little, P. H. MacKeil, E.

M. Russell, Esther E. Smith, A. E. Stearns, Mrs. C. D. Stearns, Mrs. Gertrude Sprague, Mrs. F. D. Tucker—17	25.50
$1 each—C. F. Dupont—1	1.00
	$184.00

Orders Drawn by C. N. Dearborn, Chairman

J. B. Hill	$464.56
C. N. Dearborn	174.30
M. L. Hayward	6.50
Chelsea Job Press	5.40
H. F. Gates	2.75
J. M. Comstock	20.00
	$673.51

TREASURER'S REPORT

Receipts

Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1944	$206.49
Received from interest on U. S. bonds	238.00
Received from individuals for care of lots	184.00
Received from interest on funds in savings accounts	59.32
Received interest on sundry funds	6.00
Received from H. E. Roberts Cemetery Fund, care of lots	10.00
Received from sale of lots	70.00
	$773.81

Disbursements

Paid 35 orders	$673.51
Balance on hand, Feb. 1, 1945	100.30

AUDITORS' REPORT ON CEMETERY FUNDS

We have made a complete check of funds for perpetual care of lots in the two village cemeteries and there follows a list of such funds in the hands of the Town Treasurer on January 31, 1945.

We have set forth the original amount of the fund, the loss sustained through banks closed in 1932, if any, and the present amount of the fund.

Unless otherwise stated the funds are for care of lots in Highland Cemetery.

Funds received prior to 1923—

S. B. Hebard	$ 35.00
Newell S. Bixby	50.00
Perley C. Jones	50.00
Hyde Cabot	200.00
Harvey Perigo	50.00
N. G. Moore	25.00
Amos R. Hood	100.00
Emeline Waterson	50.00
Lavinia H. Andrus	50.00
S. M. Keyes	50.00
Andrew J. Foster	50.00
Julia C. Crockett	25.00
Calvin Goodwin	100.00
Clara Skinner	25.00
William Robins	100.00
Chas. P. Dickinson	50.00
Azariah Barnes	50.00
Emily H. Allen	50.00
George W. Taplin	50.00
M. V. B. Davis	25.00
E. B. Jones	50.00
Isabel Adams	75.00
Annie J. Perkins	25.00
Joseph French	100.00
Mary J. McGaw	206.45
Mary E. Corliss	100.00
Charles Allen	50.00
Elijah Dickerman	25.00
Maria Foster	100.00
Harriet R. Dickinson	25.00
E. B. Stanley	100.00

George Goodrich	100.00
Henry E. Mosher	100.00
John B. Bacon	100.00
Mary A. Sanborn	50.00
Edward O. Mattoon	100.00
Lucy M. Whitney	35.00
Elmer G. Reed	50.00
Josiah Pitkin	50.00
George C. Heath	100.00
Hattie E. Towner	25.00
Calista R. Lucas	75.00
Lidia P. Kendall	50.00
Lement Bacon	125.00
Carlton Slack	50.00
Nancy J. Copeland	50.00
Herbert F. Mattoon	50.00
Lyman G. Hinckley	100.00
Benson Sanborn	100.00
Alice L. Bradbury & Emma C. McAllister	100.00
Eliza S. Carr	25.00
Jacob Norris	100.00
Fifield Bohonon	25.00
J. C. Robbins	100.00
Emma J. Brown	50.00
George Roberts	100.00
George W. Fuller	50.00
Hattie A. Andrus	25.00
Marion W. Ramsdell	50.00
W. H. H. Hall	100.00
J. A. R. Corwin	100.00
Ezra W. Hood	50.00
Amelia A. Wallace	100.00
Nellie R. Ballou	50.00
M. Louise Bearor	50.00
Luvia C. Hatch	50.00
Herman N. Lyford	50.00
Eunice A. Adams	100.00
Story N. Goss	50.00
Leslie F. Smith	50.00
C. C. Scales	50.00
Jed C. Luce	100.00
B. F. Smith	50.00
Orville Bixby	50.00
Henry C. Birchmore	100.00
N. G. Moore (Old Cemetery)	25.00

Cornelius Robinson (Old Cemetery)	50.00
Stephen Vincent (Old Cemetery)	50.00
Harry Hale (Old Cemetery)	50.00
	$5,251.45

The above funds were received prior to 1923 and until 1941 were held in the town treasury, the town paying the Cemetery Commissioners four percent interest each year on them. In 1941 the Cemetery funds listed above were paid over to the Cemetery Commissioners and have been largely invested in U. S. War bonds. The amount paid the Cemetery Commissioners was $5,476.55, which included $225.00 of West Hill Cemetery funds now held by the Commissioners of that Cemetery and an overpayment through error of $0.10.

Funds received 1923 to date:

	Original	Loss	Present
Sarah A. Grow, one share bank stock	$100.00	$100.00	...
John W. Smith	50.00	5.90	$44.10
E. Oscar Tracy, U. S. war bond	100.00	.....	100.00
Joel W. Ordway (City Inst. for Sav.)	300.00	.....	300.00
1923—			
Richard Kennedy	100.00	11.81	88.19
Nancy M. Hall	100.00	11.81	88.19
Edward M. Smith	100.00	11.81	88.19
Chester M. Davis	50.00	5.89	44.11
Lucy A. Bennett	100.00	11.81	88.19
Charles J. Cosgove	100.00	11.81	88.19
W. P. Townsend	100.00	11.81	88.19
Carrie L. Camp	100.00	11.81	88.19
Tinker lot (Old cemetery)	100.00	11.81	88.19
1924—			
David Emery	100.00	11.81	88.19
Adelia A. Clement	100.00	11.81	88.19
George L. Hayward	75.00	8.86	66.14
Patterson-Button	100.00	11.81	88.19
Robert McConnell	75.00	.....	.....
Robert McConnell (Old cemetery)	25.00	11.81	88.19
A. B. Carpenter	100.00	11.81	88.19
Frank I. Whitney	50.00	5.90	44.10
Sarah Gustin	75.00	8.86	66.14
1925—			
Norman J. Pratt (Waterson lot)	100.00	11.81	88.19
George M. Medcalf	100.00	11.81	88.19
Frank S. Allen	50.00	5.90	44.10

Mrs. T. H. Spear and Mrs. E. B. Hatch	50.00	5.90	44.10
Grace A. Jones	100.00	11.81	88.19
Mrs. T. H. Spear (Sargent & Robinson)	150.00	18.21	131.79
Mrs. Harriet S. Coulter (Stevens lot)	100.00	11.81	88.19
Mrs. T. H. Judd (Robbins ½ lot)	50.00	5.90	44.10
Mrs. Lucy E. Morey	45.00	5.31	39.69
1926—			
Fred H. Stanton (Backwith lot)	50.00	5.90	44.10
Mrs. Hittie M. Cook (See Add'l. 1944)	50.00	5.90	44.10
Ellen S. Laird estate	100.00	11.81	88.19
Nellie D. Burgess estate	100.00	11.81	88.19
Mrs. Dora C. Carr	50.00	5.89	44.11
Mrs. Gertrude H. Goodrich (Hyde lot)	100.00	11.81	88.19
Luna H. Godfrey estate	100.00	11.81	88.19
Mrs. Gertrude H. Goodrich (Allen lot) (Old cemetery)	50.00	5.90	44.10
Sylvia Dearborn estate	100.00	11.81	88.19
1927—			
Mrs. Maria E. Whitney	50.00	5.90	44.10
Maria Lacey estate (C. Bagley lot)	500.00	59.07	440.93
N. H. Perkins estate	50.00	5.90	44.10
Frank Gilman	50.00	5.90	44.10
Richard H. Bacon estate	100.00	11.81	88.19
Fred C. Waldo estate	100.00	11.81	88.19
N. H. Perkins estate (Old cemetery)	50.00	5.91	44.09
1928—			
Mrs. Hattie C. Allen	100.00	11.81	88.19
Marshall A. Carpenter	100.00	11.81	88.19
E. A. Davis	100.00	11.81	88.19
Vernie M. Barnes estate	50.00	5.90	44.10
Fred J. Sanborn estate	150.00	4.09	145.91
Louise E. Meader (G. K. Bagley lot)	100.00	11.81	88.19
Ida M. Bacon estate	100.00	11.81	88.19
Mrs. Isabel Adams (Add'l)	25.00	2.96	22.04
Fred H. Stanton	50.00	5.90	44.10
1929—			
Grace F. Chapin and F. A. Ordway (Marton Ordway lot)	100.00	11.81	88.19
Mrs. H. F. Gates (Adams lot)	50.00	5.90	44.10
Elgin D. Barnes estate	300.00	35.44	264.56
Lyman D. Parkhurst	100.00	11.81	88.19

Elgin D. Barnes (Hatch lot, Old cemetery)	100.00	11.81	88.19
Deb. D. Annis estate	50.00	5.90	44.10
1930—			
Anne E. Goss estate (Add'l)	50.00	5.90	44.10
1931—			
Thomas J. Doyle	75.00	8.86	66.14
Adelaide F. Allen estate (½ lot)	50.00	5.90	44.10
Ezra W. Hood estate (Add'l)	50.00	5.89	44.11
Mrs. Sara Flint (Doyle ½ lot)	50.00	5.89	44.11
Eugene E. Densmore estate	100.00	11.81	88.19
1932—			
Milo M. Sanborn estate	100.00	11.81	88.19
Burt L. Cram estate	100.00	11.81	88.19
J. Oliver Perkins estate (Add'l)	50.00	5.90	44.10
Charles T. Grames (H. Lincoln lot)	200.00	23.64	176.36
Dr. Frank H. Godfrey	100.00	11.81	88.19
Dr. Frank H. Godfrey (T. Godfrey lot) (Old cemetery)	100.00	11.84	88.16
1933			
Ella F. Medcalf estate	50.00	.....	50.00
Philip J. Little estate	100.00	.....	100.00
1934—			
Van D. McAllister estate	100.00	.....	100.00
1935—			
Mary E. Robie (Douglass & Scales)	100.00	.....	100.00
Mrs. Minnie E. Goss (L. H. Sanborn lot)	100.00	.....	100.00
Mrs. Alice M. Hadley (A. Mills lot)	100.00	.....	100.00
Jennie E. Atwood (Atwood lots)	200.00	.....	200.00
1936—			
Ann E. Giles estate (Hall lot)	100.00	.....	100.00
Chas. D. Perkins	100.00	.....	100.00
Mary J. George (¼ lot)	25.00	.....	25.00
1937—			
Mrs. Florence Hyde Spear (E. Hyde lot)	100.00	.....	100.00
Mrs. Emma W. Weeks (J. Lewis lot)	100.00	.....	100.00
Mrs. C. C. Dunbar (J. Flanders, old cemetery)	50.00	.....	50.00
W. H. Dearborn estate	100.00	.....	100.00
J. M. Comstock	100.00	.....	100.00

Frank J. Titus estate	100.00	.....	100.00
1938—			
Mrs. Harry J. Corwin	100.00	.....	100.00
Mrs. Thomas G. Dearborn	50.00	.....	50.00
Mrs. Abbie L. Davis estate	100.00	.....	100.00
1939—			
W. W. Braman estate	100.00	.....	100.00
Mrs. Fannie E. Spear (Add'l.)	25.00	.....	25.00
1940—			
Walter H. Beckwith	100.00	.....	100.00
L. Belle Chandler	100.00	.....	100.00
Albert B. Emery	100.00	.....	100.00
1941—			
Mrs. Sybil H. Hunt	100.00	.....	100.00
Hiram B. Jones	100.00	.....	100.00
Henry W. Burbank	100.00	.....	100.00
John P. Davis	100.00	.....	100.00
1942—			
C. A. Densmore estate	100.00	.....	100.00
Mrs. Mary L. Taplin	100.00	.....	100.00
John W. Burbank	100.00	.....	100.00
Ernest M. Young	100.00	.....	100.00
Mrs. Myra E. Chamberlin	100.00	.....	100.00
Hiram B. Jones	100.00	.....	100.00
Almon C. Burgess (5 sh. Pref. B stock, Gr. City Sav. Bk.)	100.00	.....	100.00
Almon C. Burgess	50.00	.....	50.00
1943—			
Fred H. Bohonon estate	100.00	.....	100.00
Gilman Thorne estate	100.00	.....	100.00
Mrs. Jessie G. Corwin	100.00	.....	100.00
Chas. and Grace W. Gates	100.00	.....	100.00
Mrs. Cora M. Dexter	100.00	.....	100.00
Carrie E. Jones estate	26.89	.....	26.89
Mrs. Ethel Spooner Tracy	100.00	.....	100.00
Mrs. George A. Tracy	100.00	.....	100.00
O. Fay and Florence D. Allen	100.00	.....	100.00
1944—			
Belle C. Bixby estate (N. Bixby lot)	56.00	.....	56.00
H. N. Sanborn	100.00	.....	100.00
Mrs. Marion G. Bryant	100.00	.....	100.00
Mrs. Hittie M. Cook (Add'l.)	55.90	.....	55.90
Mrs. Anna M. Whitney	100.00	.....	100.00
Grace M. Bixby estate	100.00	.....	100.00
Jotie F. Kimball estate	100.00	.....	100.00
Nellie R. Ballou estate	100.00	.....	100.00
From unknown source	50.00	.....	50.00
	$11,883.79	$847.97	$11,035.82

Summary

Total funds received before 1923	$5,251.45
Received through error as stated above	.10
Present value of funds received 1923 to date	11,035.82
	$16,287.37

Government Bonds held by Town Treasurer	$10,250.00
5 sh. Pref. B stock, Granite Sav. Bank and Trust Co.	100.00
Invested in Savings Banks	5,937.37
	$16,287.37

O. FAY ALLEN,
RUSSELL G. CORWIN,
O. FAY ALLEN, JR., Auditors

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC MONEY FOR THE WEST HILL CEMETERY

Feb. 1, 1944

Balance on hand		$336.95	
Transferred from savings account to War Bonds			$200.00
Rec'd of E. Ralph Walker for care of West Hill Cemetery which is invested in war bonds	$100.00		
List of War Bonds:			
Mrs. Lila Gray	$100.00		
Mrs. Abbie Moxley	$100.00		
Mr. Dudley Cabot	$100.00		
Perley Wills and J. M. Flint, $50 each	$100.00		
Int. on bonds to date		13.75	
Separately held accounts—			
Sylvanus Hibbard	$ 42.00		
S. M. Carpenter	44.11		
J. D. & C. W. Goodwin	88.19		
Sprague & Shay & R. W. Sprague	132.28		
David & Wilbur Dewey	176.36		
Edward Sprague	118.03		
Solomon Annis	44.10		
Loren Bacon	25.00		
Interest on same		6.72	
Interest on Savings account		1.33	

Rec'd of Jesse Joslyn for care of George Bacon lot		2.00	
Rec'd Mrs. Stanley Wilson for care of Erdix Bacon lot		2.00	
Due from Joe Horton for half lot	5.00		
Paid for mowing and care of lots			20.00
		$362.75	
		220.00	
Balance on hand		$142.75	

GEORGE C. CHASE, for Trustees.

We have checked the funds for the perpetual care of lots in the West Hill Cemetery and find in the hands of the Trustees War Bonds as described in the above account of Mr. Chase, amounting to $500.00 and deposits in savings banks totalling $670.07 as listed therein.

The following is a list of funds invested in savings banks, showing the original amount of the fund, the loss sustained through banks closed in 1932 and the present amount of the fund.

	Original	Loss	Present
Sylvanus Hibbard	$42.00	..	$42.00
S. M. Carpenter	50.00	$5.89	44.11
J. D. and C. W. Goodwin	100.00	11.91	88.19
Sprague, Shay and Sprague	150.00	17.92	132.28
David and Wilbur Dewey	200.00	23.64	176.36
Edward Sprague fund	200.00	81.97*	132.28
Solomon Annis	50.00	5.90	44.10
Loren Bacon	25.00	....	25.00
Totals	$817.00	$147.13	$669.87

*This bequest provided that corner stones and markers be purchased out of this fund, and the figure of $81.97 which we have as a loss probably includes the cost of them.

O. FAY ALLEN,
RUSSELL G. CORWIN,
O. FAY ALLEN, Jr.,
Auditors.

TREASURER'S REPORT OF H. E. ROBERTS CEMETERY FUND

Balance on hand, Feb. 1, 1944	$580.04
Interest received	5.91
	$585.95
Paid for care of lots in 1944	10.00
Balance on hand Jan. 31, 1945	$575.95

TREASURER'S REPORT OF HIGHLAND AVENUE CEMETERY FUND

Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1944	$ 2.73
Interest received	8.06
	$10.79
Paid orders of committee	3.60
Balance in treasurer's hands	$ 7.19

The principal of this fund is now $803.36, deposited in a savings account in the National White River Bank, Orange County Branch.

TREASURER'S REPORT OF ADA JACKSON FUND FOR CARE OF TREES ON HIGHLAND AVENUE

Nothing was expended from this fund during the past year. It is deposited as a savings account in the National White River Bank, Orange County Branch. The amount now stands at $507.82.

REPORT OF HEALTH OFFICER

During the year ending Jan. 31, 1945, 210 cases of communicable disease have been reported to the Health Officer and same have been reported by me to the State Board of Health. There were reported 104 cases of measles, 101 cases of Chicken Pox, and 5 cases of Mumps.

Samples of water from the various systems and from the schools have been sent to the State Board for examination.

I appreciate the co-operation of the townspeople in reporting the cases to me and again remind you that all cases of communicable disease must be reported whether there is a physician in attendance or not.

Again I express my appreciation and thanks to Dr. Mitchell for counsel and advice.

Respectfully submitted,
O. FAY ALLEN,
Local Health Officer.

TAXES ABATED

1934	Orville Ladd	$ 2.46
1935	Orville Ladd	5.36
	John Larrabee	5.36
1936	Lena Chamberlain	4.94
	Orville Ladd	4.94
	John Larrabee	4.94
1937	Leonard Bannister	5.77
	John Larrabee	5.77
1938	Leonard Bannister	5.98
	Manley Carpenter and wife	13.02
	John Larrabee	5.98
	Carroll O. Slack	5.98
1939	Manley Carpenter and wife	13.02
	Orville Ladd	5.84
	John Larrabee	5.84
	Fannie M. Libby	5.84
1940	Paul C. Dunham	6.10
	John Larrabee	6.10
	Clifford Sweet and wife	12.20
1941	Paul C. Dunham	6.30
	Orville Ladd	6.30
1942	Russell N. DeMeritt	6.30
	Paul C. Dunham	6.30
	Vera M. Lyon	6.30
1943	Police Druge and wife	13.44
1944	Willis E. Austin	6.25
		$176.63

REPORT OF DOGS LICENSED BY TOWN CLERK

103 dogs at $2 each	$206.00
12 dogs at $6 each	72.00
5 dogs at $3 each	15.00
1 dog at $1	1.00
10 dogs on breeder's license	30.00
	$324.00
Less fees at 15 cents each	19.65
Amount paid to town treasurer	$304.35

LEASE LAND

Received For Parsonage Right

S. C. Wilson	$34.60
W. A. Reed	10.00
L. H. Bacon, Jr.	12.04
C. B. Fletcher	1.86
	$58.50

Division of Parsonage Right Rents

United Church	$39.00
West Hill Church	19.50

Received For School Right

H. W. Armstrong	$11.00
P. J. Heath	4.75
W. E. Burbank	4.50
Flint Bros. Lumber Co.	6.25
V. R. Longley	1.50
J. A. Bellefeuille	3.00
G. M. Medcalf estate	.75
H. C. Camp	.50
	$32.25

All lease land rents paid to date.

REPORT OF CHELSEA PUBLIC LIBRARY AND ALDEN SPEARE MEMORIAL BUILDING

Report of Librarian

In 1944 81 books were added to the library, of which 24 were gifts, including 14 from the Book Club. Of these 25 are adult fiction (five on rental), 36 adult non-fiction (three from the Stow fund) and 20 juvenile fiction. The circulation for the year was 5,960.

The following are the receipts and expenditures of the librarian:

Receipts

On hand Feb. 1, 1944	$15.82	
From fines	22.15	
From rentals	9.55	
For discarded books	.65	
		$48.17

Expenditures

For supplies and postage	$22.06	
For sundries	9.60	
For rentals (paid to treasurer)	9.55	
		41.21
Leaving balance in libraran's hands		$6.96

RACHEL COMSTOCK, Librarian

Report of Trustees, Through the Treasurer

Receipts

Appropriation of town	$150.00	
Income of Roberts fund	130.00	
Income of Stow fund	24.00	
Income of Braley fund	5.00	
Rentals (from librarian)	9.55	
Drawn from bank deposit	80.00	
		$398.53

Expenditures

Due treasurer at beginning of year	$9.81
Librarian and assistants	158.56
Janitor	37.00
Books	105.43
Periodicals	59.65

Wood	32.00	
Sundries	3.82	
		406.27
Leaving balance due treasurer		$7.72

Respectfully submitted,
NELLIE S. HOOD,
O. FAY ALLEN, JR.,
MAURICE S. BICKNELL,
JOHN M. COMSTOCK,
MARY A. GRIFFIN, Trustees

REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR

During year I have collected $1,689.27 of delinquent taxes, leaving balance on lists previous to 1944 of $1,351.46. Of the 1944 taxes I collected $20,479.47 property tax, $2,606.25 poll taxes, leaving balance of $1,131.91 on property tax, $256.25 on poll taxes uncollected Feb. 1, 1944. Collecting 94.6% of 1944 taxes, 55.5% of all delinquent taxes prior to 1944.

I wish to thank the taxpayers for their fine cooperation in making this the best tax report in a number of years.

The detailed account and list follows:

C. C. LIESE, Tax Collector

Balance Sheet, Feb. 1, 1945

	Uncollected Feb. 1, 1944	Collected	Uncollected Feb. 1, 1945
1932 property	$10.36	.....	$10.36
1933 polls	1.40	$1.40	.....
1934 polls	2.46	2.46	.....
1935 polls	10.72	10.72	.....
1936 property	1.60	.....	1.60
1936 polls	34.58	19.76	14.82
1937 property	6.54	.....	6.54
1937 polls	23.08	17.31	5.77
1938 property	1.06	1.06	.....
1938 polls	64.67	35.88	28.79
1939 property	43.93	31.46	12.47
1939 polls	72.96	29.20	43.76
1940 property	113.33	22.39	90.94

1940 polls	72.51	30.50	42.01
1941 property	133.42	43.64	89.78
1941 polls	76.71	26.31	50.40
1942 property	689.15	434.29	254.86
1942 polls	107.57	37.80	69.77
1943 property	1,249.68	682.59	567.09
1943 polls	325.00	262.50	62.50
1944 property	21,611.38	20,479.47	1,131 91
1944 polls	2,862.50	2,606.25	256.25
Totals	$27,514.61	$24,774.99	$2,739.62

Delinquent Taxes, Feb. 1, 1945

American Legion—1944 property		$45.00
Austin, Irene M.—		
1940 property	$22.74	
1942 property	41.04	
1943 property	46.14	
1943 poll	6.25	
1944 property	42.38	
1944 poll	6.25	
		$164.80
Austin, Ernest G.—1944 poll		6.25
Austin, Lewis and Thelma—Two 1944 polls		12.50
Baraw, Stuart W.—1944 poll		6.25
Bearor, Arthur W. and Blanche D.—		
1943 property	$4.13	
Two 1944 polls	12.50	
		16.63
Berry, Harold E.—1940 property		25.20
Beede, Clyde N. and Sarah H.—		
Two 1938 polls	$10.85	
Two 1939 polls	11.68	
Two 1940 polls	12:20	
Two 1941 polls	12.60	
Two 1942 polls	12.60	
Two 1943 polls	12.50	
		72.43
Berard, Eugene—		
1944 poll	$6.25	
1944 property	13.02	
		19.27
Braman, Orlando—1944 poll		6.25
Braman, Wallace H.—1944 poll		6.25
Braman, Nora H.—1942 property		57.00
Blakeney, David L. and Madeline—		
Two 1942 polls	$12.60	
1942 property	3.43	
1943 property	3.75	
1944 property	.95	
		20.73

Clark, Cleveland and Harriet L.—		
Two 1944 polls	$12.50	
1944 property	50.00	
		62.50
Cloud, Ernest G. and Mabel K.—1944 property		66.75
Cram, Forrest and Anna C.—Two 1942 polls		12.60
Davis, Allie N.—		
1944 poll	$6.25	
1944 property	11.25	
		17.50
Deroleau, Melvin W.—1944 poll		6.25
Dickerman, George—		
1939 property	$5.79	
1940 property	16.21	
1941 property	17.11	
1944 property	16.88	
		55.99
Downing, Bertha A.—1944 poll		6.25
Downing, Byron and Lillian E.—		
Two 1936 polls	$9.88	
Two 1942 polls	12.60	
		22.48
Dupras, Joseph—		
1936 property	$1.60	
1936 poll	4.94	
		6.54
Dumont, Henry B., Est.—1944 property		16.58
Fletcher, C. B.—		
1940 property	$11.48	
1941 property	13.49	
1942 property	17.29	
1943 property	13.23	
1944 property	13.13	
		68.62
Foster, Bessie T. S.—1944 property		17.75
Goss, Mary M.—1941 poll		6.30
Gardner, Ruth E.—1944 poll		6.25
Goodrich, Ben A.—		
1941 property	$2.20	
1942 property	12.69	
1943 property	12.52	
		27.41
Grant, Leon E.—1944 property		27.50
Hartwell, Clifford S.—1943 property		17.63
Hayward, Ardyn L. and Florence—		
1943 property	$3.93	
Two 1944 polls	12.50	
		16.43
Hill, Arthur E. and Katherine E.—Two 1944 polls		12.50
Hill, J. Burton and Ella N.—		
Two 1938 polls	$11.96	
Two 1939 polls	11.68	
Two 1940 polls	12.20	
Two 1941 polls	12.60	

One 1942 poll	6.30	
		54.74
Hill, Norman H. and Carol O.—		
Two 1942 polls	$12.60	
Two 1943 polls	12.50	
		25.10
Holmes, Hazel D.—		
1943 property	$26.25	
1944 poll	6.25	
		32.50
Horton, Joseph E.—		
1941 property	$1.91	
1942 property	1.52	
		3.43
Kennedy, Glenn E. and Mildred—		
1943 property	$2.82	
Two 1944 polls	12.50	
1944 property	2.82	
		18.14
Kennedy, Raymond and Angelia—		
Two 1944 polls	$12.50	
1944 property	19.13	
		31.63
Kezer, Miles—1944 poll		6.25
Kuchensky, Peter—1944 property		20.63
LaBelle, Fannie—1944 poll		6.25
LaFrancis, Everett G. and Bernice—		
1942 property	$22.04	
1943 property	21.37	
Two 1944 polls	12.50	
1944 property	19.32	
		75.23
Libby, Frank A.—1943 property		85.95
Libby, Paul D.—1944 property		44.48
Lyford, Nelson A.—		
1940 poll	$6.10	
1941 poll	6.30	
1941 property	22.61	
		35.01
Lyford, Herbert G.—1944 property		63.38
Luce, Ernest E. and Lizzie L.—		
Two 1944 polls	$12.50	
1944 property	95.07	
		107.57
Luce, Ernest E. and Harold—1944 property		15.00
Lyon, Clyde W. and Lyla A.—		
Two 1939 polls	$11.68	
Two 1944 polls	12.50	
		24.18
Lyon, Ralph O.—		
1941 property	$13.46	
1942 property	15.96	
1943 property	15.75	
1944 property	15.75	

1944 poll	6.25	
		67.17
Mattoon, Warren H.—1943 property		75.56
Melendy, Effie—1944 poll		6.25
Melendy, James M.—1944 poll		6.25
Melvin, Friend—		
1942 property	$44.27	
1943 property	103.50	
1944 property	113.63	
		261.40
Moulton, Royal—1937 property		6.54
Merchant, Ralph—1940 poll		5.41
Moulton, Raymond C. and Electa M.—1944 propehty		64.88
Nicoletti, Emilienne—1943 property		16.89
O'Donnell, Arthur E.—1944 poll		6.25
O'Donnell, Kenneth A.—		
1942 property	$31.06	
1943 property	26.25	
1944 property	26.25	
		83.56
O'Donnell, Harry B. and Stella B.—		
1932 property (holds receipt from Ray S. Thresher)	$10.36	
1939 poll (Stella)	1.69	
1940 property	4.51	
1941 poll	6.30	
		22.86
Owen, Gordon E.—1944 property		16.88
Paul, Myrtie M.—1943 property		15.00
Paul, Edward G. and Winifred—		
Two 1943 polls	$12.50	
1944 property	15.00	
		27.50
Perkins, Mark C.—		
1940 property	$3.60	
1941 property	11.40	
1943 property	37.50	
1944 property	30.00	
		82.50
Proctor, Harriet E.—		
1943 property	$1.57	
1944 property	67.50	
		69.07
Priest, LaForest H.—		
1939 poll	$1.19	
1940 poll	6.10	
1941 poll	6.30	
		13.59
Rollins, Geo. E.—		
1937 poll	$5.77	
1938 poll	5.98	
1939 poll	5.84	
1942 poll	.47	
		18.06

Rathburn, Mary J., heirs—		
1939 property	$6.68	
1940 property	7.20	
1941 property	7.60	
		21.48
Scott, Francis J. and Barbara—		
Two 1943 polls	$12.50	
One 1944 poll	6.25	
		18.75
Scoville, Ena—1944 property		11.82
Scoville, Helena B.—1944 property		3.23
Spear, Everett F. and Ella—		
1943 property	$28.91	
1944 property	67.13	
		96.04
Tucker, Ray—		
1943 poll	$6.25	
1944 poll	6.25	
		12.50
Thomas, Leonard O.—		
1942 property	$8.56	
1943 property	8.44	
1944 property	8.44	
		25.44
Whipple, Winifred S. and Mabel S.—		
Two 1944 polls	$12.50	
1944 property	90.38	
		102.88

SCHOOL DIRECTORS' REPORT

MAURICE BICKNELL, Chairman

For School Year, July 1, 1943, to June 30, 1944

Receipts

Balance July 1, 1943	$742.24
School tax, 165 cents	10,238.79
Tuition	325.00
Lease land rents	32.25
Income, Roberts fund	1,065.00
State Treasurer	4,645.13
Rent of Grammar School lands	67.64
Sundries	45.84
	$17,161.89
Borrowed money	2,000.00
Total receipts	$19,161.89

Expenditures

Teachers' salaries—		
Paid teachers	$9,343.12	
Paid Collector Internal Revenue	595.89	
		$9,939.01
Transportation		849.79
Transportation insurance		14.52
Janitor services		897.60
Fuel		1,001.45
Lights		206.00
Repairs		629.66
Supplies		527.41
Books		216.85
Insurance (fire)		199.43
Interest		26.33
Superintendance		858.30
Directors' services and expenses		93.50
Music		8.97
Miscellaneous		64.06
Furniture		63.92
		$15,596.80
Borrowed money repaid		2,000.00
Total orders drawn		$17,596.80
Unexpended balance		1,565.09
		$19,161.89

Reconciliation of Balance

Balance as per Treasurer's report, June 30, 1944	$2,117.47
Due from Town of Tunbridge (tuition)	225.00
	$2,342.47
Less outstanding orders, June 30, 1944	777.38
Unexpended balance, school, June 30, 1944	$1,565.09

Financial Condition, June 30, 1944

Treasurer's balance	$2,117.47
Tuition due from Town of Tunbridge	225.00
	$2,342.47

Less outstanding orders	$777.38	
Frank W. Button, 3% note	600.00	
		1,377.38
		$965.09

COMPARATIVE DEBT STATEMENT

Year as of June 30—	
1940 net debt	$512.36
1941 net debt	598.01
1942 net debt	1,241.96
1943 net balance	142.24
1944 net balance	$1,565.09

ITEMIZED EXPENSES

July 1, 1943, to June 30, 1944

Village School

Salaries—		
Urban Wakefield, principal	$1,950.00	
Marion Wakefield	1,050.00	
Katherine Whitney	1,050.00	
Esther Bicknell	805.00	
Helena Sargent	879.49	
Mary Walker	805.00	
Ruth Martin	805.00	
		$7,344.49
Transportation—		
Clifford Ryder	$104.76	
Earl Russell	29.52	
Glenn Button	56.00	
Geo. Taylor	38.10	
Robert Ainsworth	51.15	
Katherine Dumont	35.56	
Arthur Braman	52.20	
John Blakney	62.62	
		436.91
Janitor and cleaning (gym included)		805.20
Lights		58.74
Fuel		812.70
		$9,458.04

Number of pupils—
High school—40.
Elementary—99.

Meadow Brook "Superior School" (No. 1)

Teacher, Elmer Roberts	$805.00
Transportation, Elmer Woodworth	49.28
Janitor	19.60
Fuel	40.75
Lights	36.77
	$951.40

Number pupils—9.

North Branch "Superior" School (No. 5)

Teacher, Kathleen Little	$805.00
Transportation	374.60
Janitor and cleaning	40.80
Fuel	97.00
Lights	37.17
	$1,354.57

Number of pupils—27.

Number 8

Lights for 1942-43	$37.32

West Hill "Standard" School (No. 9)

Teacher, Beatrice Coburn	$874.52
Assistant, Marion Dorner	110.00
Janitor	21.00
Fuel	51.00
Lights	36.00
	$1,092.52

Number of pupils—27.

Expenses Applying to All Schools

Furniture	$63.92
Miscellaneous	64.06
Directors	102.47
Superintendence	858.30
Interest	26.33
Insurance (fire)	199.43

Insurance (car)	14.52
Books	216.85
Supplies	527.41
Repairs	629.66
	$2,702.95

Summary

Village school	$9,458.04
No. 1	951.40
No. 5	1,354.57
No. 9	1,092.52
No. 8 (old bill, lights)	37.32
All schools	2,702.95
	$15,596.80

TREASURER'S REPORT

In Account With School Directors From July 1, 1943, to July 1, 1944

Receipts

Balance on hand July 1, 1943	$798.16
Tax of 165 cents	10,238.79
From State Treasurer	4,645.13
Income of Roberts fund	1,065.00
Lease land rents	32.25
Rent of Grammar school lands (from County Treasurer)	67.64
Tuitions	325.00
Sundries	45.84
Money borrowed	2,000.00
	$19,217.81

Disbursements

Paid School Directors' orders	17,100.34
Balance on hand June 30, 1944	$2,117.47

Outstanding Orders July 1, 1944

No.		
45	Dec. 18, 1943—Geo. Bradshaw	$3.00
821	June 12, 1944—Arthur Braman	19.44

831	June 30, 1944	McAuliffe Co.	16.89
832	June 30, 1944	F. Ray Keyser	33.60
833	June 30, 1944	J. L. Holcomb Co.	65.82
834	June 30, 1944	Helena Sargent	36.20
835	June 30, 1944	Elmer Roberts	38.03
836	June 30, 1944	J. L. Hammet Co.	3.67
837	June 30, 1944	Arlene Titus	8.97
838	June 30, 1944	W. M. Welch	3.14
839	June 30, 1944	Silver Burdett Co.	7.44
840	June 30, 1944	World Book Co.	12.80
841	June 30, 1944	MacMillan Co.	4.74
842	June 30, 1944	Central Vermont Public Service	17.10
843	June 30, 1944	Lorenz Pub. Co.	6.77
844	June 30, 1944	Allen & Underhill	15.45
845	June 30, 1944	Allen & Underhill	13.44
846	June 30, 1944	McAuliffe Co.	13.58
847	June 30, 1944	Katherine Whitney	51.60
848	June 30, 1944	Esther Bicknell	36.20
849	June 30, 1944	Kathleen Little	36.20
850	June 30, 1944	Beatrice Coburn	47.73
851	June 30, 1944	Clarence Green	33.80
852	June 30, 1944	M. L. Bicknell	8.75
853	June 30, 1944	A. C. Parker	66.39
854	June 30, 1944	Glenn Button	4.75
855	June 30, 1944	Collector of Int. Rev.	171.88
			$777.38

Proof of Audit

Totals orders drawn	$17,596.80
Outstanding July 1, 1944	777.38
Current orders paid by Treasurer	$16,819.42
Orders outstanding July 1, 1943, paid by Treasurer	280.92
Total orders paid	$17,100.34

Proposed Budget For Period July, 1945, to June 30, 1946

Teachers' salaries	$13,600.00
Transportation	1,200.00
Janitors and cleaning	1,200.00
Fuel	1,000.00

Lights	100.00
Repairs	700.00
Supplies	400.00
Books	250.00
Insurance	175.00
Supt.	768.00
Directors' services and expenses	90.00
Sundries	60.00
	$19,543.00

Receipts Estimated

Lease land rent	$75.00
Roberts fund	1,050.00
Tuition	1,190.00
State Treasurer	4,000.00
Estimated total receipts	$8,315.00
Estimated money to be raised by town tax	$11,228.00

Expenditures July 1, 1944, to Jan. 31, 1945

Teachers' salaries	$5,039.80
Transportation	860.72
Transportation insurance	15.21
Repairs	670.96
Lights	73.14
Supplies	431.20
Books	72.98
Fuel	1,042.06
Insurance (fire)	109.10
Interest	25.35
Superintendence	481.36
Directors' services and expenses	102.52
School census	11.76
Sundries	7.35
Note, Frank W. Button, dated Sept. 1, 1939, paid	600.00
Collector of Internal Revenue	180.60
Music	201.40
Telephone	23.82
Janitor service	545.06
	$10,494.39

To the Voters of the Town of Chelsea:

The school board feels that the same amount of tax raised last year ($1.80) will be sufficient to cover the increased general cost of operating the schools the coming year. Teachers' salaries, supplies, books, repairs and labor will probably be higher than last year. If the proposed legislation passes, there will be some additional revenue from state aid, per equated pupil.

This year, two rural schools, numbers 8 and 10, remained closed. No. 5 was closed due to the critical teacher shortage, also because of the difficulty of obtaining needed repairs there. Under a war time measure this does not forfeit state aid on these closed schools.

The Commercial Course, which was started the year before, has proved a great asset to the school. About 70% of the pupils are taking all or some part of the course.

Last fall, we had an artesian well drilled and the water pumped into the Village school house which is proving satisfactory.

Respectfully submitted,
ARLINE B. TITUS
MAURICE BICKNELL,
GLENN BUTTON

School Directors' Orders Outstanding Feb. 1, 1945

No.		
45	Dec. 18, 1943—Geo. Bradshaw	$3.00
831	June 30, 1944—McAuliffe Co.	16.89
846	June 30, 1944—McAuliffe Co.	13.58
866	Sept. 5, 1944—B. C. Coburn	15.21
32	Jan. 18, 1945—Glenn Sanborn	20.60
36	Jan. 22, 1945—Don Ladd	4.50
39	Jan. 22, 1945—Mrs. A. G. Cronkite	6.00
40	Jan. 22, 1945—A. C. Parker	63.40
64	Jan. 27, 1945—Robert Ainsworth	16.17
67	Jan. 29, 1945—Allen & Underhill	2.85
68	Jan. 29, 1945—Glenn Roberts	6.00
72	Jan. 30, 1945—J. L. Hammett Co.	62.42
73	Jan. 30, 1945—World Book Co.	4.85
74	Jan. 30, 1945—MacMillan Co.	1.99
75	Jan. 30, 1945—E. S. Schirmer Co.	16.67
		$254.13

CHELSEA TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT

In Account With School Directors From July 1, 1944, to Jan. 31, 1945

Receipts

Balance on hand July 1, 1944	$2,117.47
Tax of 180 cents	11,197.62
From State Treasurer	5,807.07
Income of Roberts fund	900.00
Tuition	419.30
Lease land rent	32.25
	$20,473.71

Disbursements

Paid School Directors' orders	11,017.64
Balance on hand Jan. 31, 1945	$9,456.07

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Board of School Directors and Citizens of Chelsea:

This report is for the school year from July 1st, 1943, to June 30th, 1944, and is a part of the report of the Board of School Directors required by law.

Three one-room schools and the four-room Village elementary school were maintained for thirty-five weeks. The high school was in session thirty-six weeks. The average number of pupils in the elementary schools was 151, and the average daily attendance was 137.98. The average number in high school was 39, and the average daily attendance was 35.44. The average per pupil cost for elementary schools was $82.37 and for high school $118.62.

A review of pupil progress shows that of the 160 different elementary pupils enrolled, 131 were promoted one or more grades, 2 were promoted one grade conditionally, 16 were not promoted, 10 transferred to other schools, and one dropped out of school. Of the

40 different pupils enrolled in high school, 38 were promoted, 1 transferred to another school, and 1 dropped out of school.

The high school has been improved by the offering of a commercial course. The instruction in these and other subjects is excellent and the number of tuition pupils has doubled. In spite of the restrictions of war-time conditions the school has maintained its program of athletics, physical education, school lunches, music, and social activities. The school contributes a very great deal in the life of the community.

At the beginning of the year which this report covers, the upper part of the village building was insulated and, in the current year, the water supply has been improved by a driven well and electric pump. There is need for improvement of the water supply and sanitary toilet facilities at the West Hill and Meadow Brook schools. The toilets at the Village school should be reconditioned or replaced with modern equipment.

Since the state instituted its program for more equitable distribution of funds to aid in the equalization of educational opportunity much has been done to help the less wealthy towns to maintain good schools. The report of the commission appointed by ex-Governor Wilson provided the groundwork for this program. Successive legislatures have increased the equated pupil rate of state aid from $13 to $16 to $20. The last legislature also made it possible during the war-time emergency to receive aid for a school closed for lack of a capable teacher or other emergency conditions. The town is eligible to receive $1,740 at the $20 equated pupil rate as aid for the Barre Road, Strafford Road and Number Eight schools even though they were not maintained. The proposal of the State Board of Education for new legislation to increase the state aid for schools by raising the present equated pupil rate from twenty to twenty-five dollars and elimination of the arbitrary reductions of state aid to towns with grand lists exceeding $10,000, merits careful study. Property owners who feel that the present property tax burden is heavy will probably favor it. The proposal, if enacted in its entirety, would increase the state aid for schools of the town by about $1,700.

There has been a fine spirit manifest in the schools, both in the work of the classrooms and in their cooper-

ation in the war effort. The chief problem at present is to attract and to hold capable teachers, as the normal schools have an insufficient supply.

I am grateful to the School Directors, parents, teachers, and townspeople for their support.

Respectfully submitted,

A. COURTNEY PARKER,
Superintendent of Schools

CHELSEA VITAL STATISTICS—1944

Births

Austin, Margaret Lorraine, daughter of Willis E. and Evelyn L. (Eastman), July 19 (in Barre).

Chambers, Edna Mabel, daughter of Herbert G. and Mabel B. (Luce), June 7 (in Randolph).

Downing, Donna Jean, daughter of Bernard J. and Bertha M. (Berno), Aug. 31 (in Barre).

Downing, Richard Charles, son of Edgar R. and Lillian B. (Aiken), June 17 (in Barre).

Dukett, Paul Douglas, son of Nelson C. and Alma E. (Sharkey), March 27 (in Barre).

Hayward, Gordon Marshall, son of Harold W. and Marie R. (Brooks), Aug. 7 (in Barre).

Hook, Leslie Dennis, son of Edgar W. and Caroline E. (Richards), May 24 (in Randolph).

Kennedy, Alton Henry, son of Harry W. and Wilma I. (Churchill), March 27 (in Barre).

Kennedy, Gelia Rae, daughter of Raymond C. and Angelina R. (Morgan), Aug. 6 (in Barre).

Nichols, Sharon Hilda, daughter of Dudley C. and Kathleen M. (Roberts), June 19 (in Barre).

Roberts, Bonnie Lee, daughter of Lionel D. and Eleanor C. (Nichols), Oct. 27 (in Barre).

Sanborn, Shirley Jean, daughter of Clyde G. and Beatrice I. (Armington), Sept. 28 (in Rochester, N. H.).

Whitney, Sally Jeanne, daughter of Merrill R. and Katherine S. (Ryder), Aug. 9 (in Barre).

Woodworth, Nancy Jean, daughter of Clayton E. and Arlene R. (Wagner), June 14 (in Barre).

Deaths

Austin, Willis Ellison, July 1, aged 32 years, 7 months, 10 days.

Ballou, Nellie Roselyn, Feb. 11, aged 87 years, 2 days (in Strafford).

Bixby, Grace Maria, Jan. 14, aged 80 years, 10 months, 17 days (in Burlington).

Boyd, William Morton, April 18, aged 66 years, 4 months, 28 days (in Barre).

Cleaves, Charles Henry, Oct. 9, aged 85 years, 7 months, 3 days(in Montpelier).

Coburn, Almena Harriet, Feb. 20, aged 62 years, 1 month, 17 days(in Los Angeles, Calif.).

Dickinson,, Frank Clarke, Jan. 2, aged 56 years, 5 months (in Hartford).

Dwinell, Winifred Jean, April 12, aged 6 years, 10 months (in Barre).

Lougee, Benjamin Franklin, March 21, aged 67 years, 11 months, 21 days.

Ordway, Fred A., Oct. 27, aged 81 years, 8 months, 22 days (in Waterbury).

Ovitt, George Alonzo, July 10, aged 65 years, 5 months, 22 days (in Northfield).

Walker, Ezra Ralph, March 25, aged 61 years, 10 months, 25 days (in Barre).

Whitney, Daniel Alfred, Aug. 15, aged 69 years, 6 months, 4 days (in Barre).

Marriages

April 15—Lewis K. Spaulding and Lily M. Moxley, both of Chelsea.

July 15—Warren A. Melendy of Chelsea and Evangeline A. Whitcomb of Barre.

Aug. 2—Guy F. Moxley and Lena B. Shirlock, both of Chelsea.

Sept. 2—Robert C. Blake of Corinth and Stella M. Melendy of Chelsea.

Nov. 11—Glen E. Kezer of Chelsea and Charlotte V. Potwin of Woodstock.

WARNING

The legal voters of the Town and Town School District of Chelsea are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Town Hall in Chelsea on Tuesday, the 6th day of March, A. D. 1945, at 11:00 o'clock A. M., war time, to act on the following articles:

1. To choose a moderator and town clerk.

2. To receive and act upon the reports of the several town officers.

3. To see if the town will authorize its selectmen to appoint a road commissioner, and if so, whether one or two shall be appointed.

4. To choose all necessary officers for the town and town school district for the ensuing term.

5. To raise money to pay the indebtedness of the town and current expenses for the ensuing year.

6. To see what amount of tax the town school district will vote for the maintenance of schools.

7. To see what amount of tax the town will vote for the maintenance of highways.

8. To see if the town will authorize its selectmen to borrow money from time to time when necessary to carry on the business of the town.

9. To see if the town will vote to place its tax bills in the hands of the Town Treasurer for collection.

10. To see if the town will authorize its selectmen to contract with Chelsea Fire District No. 1 for fire protection of buildings and other property of the town outside said Fire District and within the town for the year beginning April 1, 1945.

11. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money for the support of the Chelsea Public Library, and if so, how much.

12. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money for the observance of Memorial day, and if so, how much.

13. To see if the town will vote to collect taxes on real and personal property in installments.

14 To see if the town will vote to secure the services of a doctor and nurse for a health inspection of all school children at least twice during the school year.

15 To see if the town will vote to instruct its school directors to keep all rural schools in town open where there are enough pupils in the district to maintain a legal school; also to provide a suitable conveyance where the school is closed.

16 To see if the town will vote to fix the compensation of town officers, and if so, at what amounts.

17 To see if the town will instruct its selectmen to purchase a tractor, snow plow, and bulldozer.

18. To see if the town will vote to have its fiscal year end December 31, 1945.

19. To vote on these questions:

Shall licenses for the sale of malt and vinous beverages be granted in this town?

Shall spirituous liquors be sold in this town?

20. To transact any other proper business.

O. E. BURGESS,
ANGIER EDWARDS,
DEAN H. GILMAN,
Selectmen.

Chelsea, Vt., Feb. 17, 1945.

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TOWN OF

Chelsea, Vermont

February 1, 1946

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BRING THIS REPORT TO TOWN MEETING

Chelsea Job Press, Printers, Chelsea, Vt.

Town Officers 1945-1946.

Moderator,		O. Fay Allen
Clerk,		J. M. Comstock
	Angier M. J. Edwards	Term expires 1946
Selectmen,	Dean H. Gilman	Term expires 1947
	Oliver E. Burgess	Term expires 1948
Treasurer,		J. M. Comstock
Overseer of Poor,		Charles F. Button
Road Commissioner,		George D. Lyford
Constable,		Chauncey C. Liese
Collector of Taxes,		Chauncey C. Liese
	Berthold C. Coburn	Term expires 1946
Listers,	Charles H. Baraw	Term expires 1947
	Percy J. Heath	Term expires 1948
	Frank W. Button,	Term expires 1946
Trustees of Public Money	George E. Chase,	Term expires 1947
	H. L. Hayward,	Term expires 1948
	M. S. Bicknell	Term expires 1946
School Directors,	Glen A. Button	Term expires 1947
	F. D. Burbank	Term expires 1948
	Russell G. Corwin	Term expires 1946
Auditors.	O. Fay Allen, Jr.	Term expires 1947
	O. F. Allen	Term expires 1948
	O. Fay Allen, Jr.	Term expires 1946
Trustees of Public Library,	M. S. Bicknell	Term expires 1947
	J. M. Comstock	Term expires 1948
	Mary A. Griffin	Term expires 1949
	Nellie S. Hood	Term expires 1950
Superintendent of Schools,		A. C. Parker
Clerk of School Board,		Maurice Bicknell
Town Grand Jurors	O. Fay Allen, Jr.,	George L. Button
Town Agent,		O. Fay Allen, Jr.
Surveyor of Wood and Lumber,		William A. Reed
		Guy W. Bowin
Fence Viewers,		G. Warren Cross
		George P. Bradshaw
Weigher of Coal,		Henry F. Gates
Pound Keepers,		B. C. Coburn
		Everett F. Spear
Supervisor Old Age Assistance		O. Fay Allen
	Edward B. Hatch	Term expires 1946
	Percy J. Heath	Term expires 1947
Cemetery Commissioners,	J. M. Comstock	Term expires 1948
	Fred E. Dwinell,	Term expires 1946
	S. C. Wilson	Term expires 1950

TOWN OF CHELSEA, VT.

1945-1946

Population 1,007 (last census). Area 23,818 acres. Altitude, 840 feet. Miles of highways, 92.90, of which 10 miles is State Highway.

Real and personal grand list	$5,868.84
Polls, 458	445.00
Total grand list	$6,313.84

Basis of Grand List

List value of real estate in town	$450,383.00
List value of personal property in town	139,056.00
List value of taxable property in town	$589,439.00
List value of personal property offset	2,555.00
List value of property taxed	$586,884.00
One per cent of list value of property taxed	5,868.84
Taxable polls, 445 at $1	445.00
Grand list of town	$6,313.84

Comparative Statements

Grand List		Tax Rate	
1941	$5,912.73	1941	$3.80
1942	5,977.23	1942	3.80
1943	6,205.33	1943	3.75
1944	6,220.90	1944	3.75
1945	6,313.84	1945	3.75

Total Tax Raised
(School tax included)

	Amount raised
1941—$3.80 and $2.50 old age assistance	$23,759.56
1942—$3.80 and $2.50 old age assistance	23,964.69
1943—$3.75 and $2.50 old age assistance	24,443.66
1944—$3.75 and $2.50 old age assistance	24,473.38
1945—$3.75 and $2.50 old age assistance	24,773.71

TOWN ACCOUNT

Assets—What We Own

(Real estate and personal property not included)

Uncollected taxes		$1,679.37
U. S. War Bond (purchase price)		37.50
Cash on hand		
In General Town Account	$7,001.62	
In Sanding Road account	382.19	
In Unselected Roads account	26.55	
In Snow Roads account	83.96	
	$7,494.32	
Less overdraft in Highway account	858.34	
		$6,635.98
		$8,352.85

Liabilities—What We Owe

Outstanding orders:		
Snow Roads account	$64.40	
Sanding Roads account	8.40	
Overseer's account	40.35	
		$113.15
Excess of assets over liabilities		$8,239.70
Net balance Feb. 1, 1946		$8,239.70
Net balance Feb. 1, 1945		6,431.22
Gain for year		$1,808.48

School Account Surplus

As of Jan. 30, 1945	$2,270.20
As of Jan. 30, 1944	1,565.09
Gain for year	$705.11

OPERATING STATEMENT

All Accounts Excepting School Account

Actual Cash Receipts

Cash on hand, Feb. 1, 1945		$3,605.13
Delinquent taxes collected	$1,943.23	

On list of 1945	12,525.82	
		$14,469.05
From State Treasurer—		
For Town Highways	$5,751.97	
For Winter Maintenance	800.00	
For Resurfacing (1944 acc't.)	255.65	
For Winter Roads	47.35	
For Forest Fire Fighting	3.80	
		$6,858.77
Other receipts as per Treasurer's report		2,693.64
Money borrowed		2,500.00
Total cash receipts		$30,126.59

Disbursements

Orders drawn by Selectmen for—		
General running expenses		$8,369.08
To pay borrowed money	$2,500.00	
Unselected highway work	5,843.95	
Winter roads	951.35	
Sanding roads	254.89	
		$17,919.27
Orders drawn by Overseer		1,623.82
Orders drawn by Road Commissioner		3,857.64
Total disbursements		$23,400.73
Total receipts		$30,126.59
Total disbursements		23,400.73
Unexpended balance		$6,725.86

PROOF OF AUDIT

Orders Paid By Treasurer Jan. 31, 1945 to Feb. 1, 1946

General account 1944 orders	$15.25
General account 1945 orders	10,869.08
Overseer's 1944 orders	161.55
Overseer's 1945 orders	1,583.47
Unselected highway 1945 orders	5,843.95
Winter roads 1944 orders	10.95
Winter roads 1945 orders	886.95
Sanding roads 1945 orders	246.49

General highway 1944 orders	15.28	
General highway 1945 orders	3,857.64	
Total orders paid by Treasurer		$23,490.61

1945 Outstanding 2-1-46—		
Selectmen's account	none	
General highway account	none	
Snow road account	$64.40	
Sanding road account	8.40	
Overseer's account	40.35	
		$113.15

Total orders paid by Treasurer	$23,490.61
1944 outstanding orders paid	203.03
1945 orders paid	$23,287.58
1945 orders outstanding	113.15
Total orders drawn	$23,400.73

Orders drawn this past year for—		
Borrowed money	$2,500.00	
General expenses	8,369.08	
Unselected highways	5,843.95	
General highway work	3,857.64	
Sanding roads	254.89	
Snow roads	951.35	
Support of poor	1,623.82	
Total orders drawn		$23,400.73

Orders Outstanding Feb. 1, 1946

Snow Roads account—	
No. 263, Jan. 21, 1946, Merle Colby	$11.90
No. 273, Jan. 30, 1946, Richard Kennedy	33.60
No. 275, Jan. 31, 1946, Harry O'Donnell	9.10
No. 276, Jan. 31, 1946, Arthur O'Donnell	9.80
	$64.40
Sanding Roads—	
No. 172, Jan. 9, 1946, Bert L. Wight	$8.40

Overseer's Account—	
No. 395, Jan. 30, 1946, Gifford Memorial Hospital	$28.35
No. 400, Jan. 30, 1946, Barre City Hospital	12.00
	$40.35
Total orders outstanding	$113.15

TREASURER'S REPORT

GENERAL TOWN ACCOUNT

Receipts

Cash on hand Feb. 1, 1945—		
General highway account	$3,153.55	
Unselected highway account	36.38	
Snow roads account	102.21	
Sanding roads account	312.99	
		$3,605.13
From C. C. Liese, Collector—		
Delinquent taxes	$1,943.23	
On list of 1945	12,525.82	
		$ 14,469.05
From State Treasurer—		
For Town highways	$5,751.97	
Winter maintenance	800.00	
Resurfacing	255.65	
Winter roads	47.35	
Forest fire fighting	3.80	
		$6,858.77
From dog licenses		311.35
Liquor license		25.00
Lease land rent		58.50
Rebate, lighting fund		80.00
Claim against Ovitt estate		118.73
P. H. MacKeil, rebate on expenses in 1939		85.00
L. W. Webster Co., breaking road and repairing culvert		31.10
S. C. Wilson, share expense of bridge		50.00
F. D. Burbank, graveling road		19.50
For use of tractor, plow and truck		1,546.12
Rent of hall		208.00

Sale of lumber		97.69
For labor and gravel for high school		34.45
Sale of sundries		6.95
Refunds		21.25
Money borrowed		2,500.00
		$30,126.59

Disbursements

Paid Selectmen's Orders—		
General account	$10,884.33	
Unselected highway account	5,843.95	
Snow roads account	897.90	
Sanding roads account	246.49	
		$17,872.67
Paid Road Commissioner's orders		3,872.92
Paid Overseer's orders		1,745.02
Total orders paid		$23,490.61
Cash on hand		6,635.98
		$30,126.59

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN FOR THE YEAR ENDING JAN. 31, 1946

The year just ended shows a balance of $7,439.93 in the general account. There is still $1,679.37 in uncollected taxes, which if collected would give a balance of $9,114.29. There is a deficit in the general highway account of $858.32, and while the selectmen have a right to assess a tax to care for a deficit we feel that this should be voted by the town. We purchased last April a tractor, bulldozer and snowplow costing $9,-300.00. This was to have been delivered by Dec. 1st, 1945; due to the war, strikes, etc., we have not yet received it. If the delinquent taxes can be cleaned up during the year we think we can pay for the above machinery by the end of the year, if not, it will take a small tax. Voters must bear in mind that labor and materials were high during the past year and there is every indication they will continue with perhaps even a higher level during 1946.

Suggested Budget For 1946

Town Hall	$375.00
Town officers	800.00
Cutting bushes	300.00
Miscellaneous	750.00
Insurance	175.00
Streets	425.00
Commons	100.00
Tractor	1,000.00
Interest	90.00
Laird Farm	100.00
Taxes assessed	2,200.00
Truck	500.00
Snow plow	600.00
Dog damage	75.00
Bridges	400.00
Appropriations	400.00
Snow roads	800.00
Welfare department	1,600.00
Lumber	500.00
Road machine	50.00
	$11,240.00

A. J. EDWARDS,
D. H. GILMAN,
O. E. BURGESS, Selectmen.

SELECTMEN'S ACCOUNT

Summary of Orders Drawn By Chairman For Running Expenses to Feb. 1, 1946

Town officers	$758.23
Laird farm	69.36
Town hall and Clerk's office	442.29
Miscellaneous	713.35
Streets	405.00
Commons	96.80
Tractor, labor, parts and supplies	1,052.23
Dog damage	12.00
Insurance, town property	151.67
Hemlock lumber	362.20
Bridge repairs	434.53
Taxes assessed	2,137.02

Appropriations	300.00
Truck, labor, parts and supplies	425.86
Road machine	45.49
Jack hammer	452.55
Snowplow	505.72
Collector Internal Revenue	2.90
Money borrowed	2,500.00
Interest	1.88
	$10,869.08

Town Officers

R. G. Corwin, auditor	$12.90
O. F. Allen, Sr., auditor	15.90
O. Fay Allen, Jr., auditor	9.30
C. H. Baraw, lister	37.50
B. C. Coburn, lister	37.50
P. J. Heath, lister	15.00
J. M. Comstock, lister and making out tax bills	37.40
Angier Edwards, selectman	15.00
D. H. Gilman, selectman	15.00
O. E. Burgess, chairman selectmen	75.00
C. F. Button, overseer	50.00
O. F. Allen, Sr., health officer and cash paid	31.45
C. C. Liese, tax collector	261.82
J. M. Comstock, town clerk, treasurer and postage paid	144.46
	$758.23

Laird Farm

State of Vermont, 7,000 pine	$22.75
Guy Ladd, expense on pine	10.61
Gerald Slack, setting trees	6.00
W. A. Reed, setting trees	6.00
Ernest Royce, setting trees	6.00
Clyde Beede, setting trees	6.00
L. W. Burgess, setting trees	6.00
O. E. Burgess, setting trees	6.00
	$69.36

Town Hall and Clerk's Office

Central Vt. Public Service Corp., lighting	$46.90
A. M. Flanders, Inc., thawing water	10.00

O. E. Burgess, labor and cash paid	39.83
F. E. Hood, janitor and cash paid	185.21
Clyde Beede, labor on wood	17.80
G. D. Lyford, labor on wood	9.95
E. B. LaFrancis, labor on wood	9.40
The Chelsea Job Press, supplies	5.52
J. M. Comstock, Treas., use of truck on wood	10.00
Kennedy's Garage, use of saw rig	3.00
A. F. Sanborn, thawing water, 2 grates and express	12.75
F. R. and E. S. Keyser, water rent	12.00
Glenn Sanborn, paint	2.25
Robbins and Robbins, supplies	.43
H. N. Sanborn, kerosene	2.25
E. H. Sanville, repair of roof	75.00
	$442.29

Miscellaneous

Alice Allen, due on care of cemeteries	$ .50
Central Vt. Public Service Corp., lighting garage	12.00
New England Tel. & Tel. Co., tolls and rentals	45.55
The Chelsea Job Press, printing and supplies	152.76
J. M. Comstock, postage on town reports	2.62
O. Fay Allen, Jr., legal fees and postage	26.17
R. F. Beck, surveying to relocate road	28.15
H. D. Flanders, ministerial money, Congregational and Methodist churches	39.00
C. C. Liese, dog warrant	4.05
Guy Ladd, freight	3.14
O. E. Burgess, labor, postage and cash for supplies	60.94
Kennedy's Garage, advice on tractor	7.00
C. M. Hook, labor	5.00
C. H. Colby, tools	19.93
Brown & Saltmarsh, dog tags	6.60
Alice Walker, ministerial money, West Hill church	19.50
Allen Bros., mowing Lincoln and Allen cemeteries	5.00
Tuttle Company, Town Clerk's supplies	19.86
C. C. Liese, tax, David Blakeney, mowing Laird cemetery	5.60

So. End Garage, sharpening lawn mowers	5.00
A. M. Flanders, Inc., welding	7.25
Glenn Sanborn, cash paid fighting forest fires	9.25
Reynolds & Son, Inc., supplies	9.43
Walter Grant, mowing Wiggins cemetery	4.90
George Mathers, replacing battery	15.50
J. H. Lamson & Sons, parts for lawn mower	4.00
Montgomery Ward, wrenches	20.25
C. C. Liese, collector, taxes abated	174.40
	$713.35

Streets

Central Vt. Public Service Corp., lighting	$375.00
Ralph Lyon, plowing sidewalks	17.50
C. C. Liese, tax, Ralph Lyon, plowing sidewalks	12.50
	$405.00

Commons

J. M. Comstock, use of truck hauling leaves	$4.00
O. E. Burgess, cleaning, mowing and raking	90.00
E. B. Hatch, cleaning	2.80
	$96.80

Tractor

W. A. Reed, labor	$11.70
Forrest Sanborn, labor	31.50
E. G. LaFrancis, labor	7.80
G. D. Lyford, labor	21.00
E. H. Colby, supplies	.70
Montgomery Ward, canvas	14.65
O. E. Burgess, labor and cash paid for supplies	38.53
South Western Petroleum Co., grease and oil	172.53
H. F. Gates, supplies and fuel oil	111.91
Shell Oil Co., fuel oil	52.00
Casellini-Venable Corp., parts	456.04
Guy Ladd, express	2.50
Kennedy's Garage, labor and supplies	131.37
	$1,052.23

Dog Damage

Alice Allen, 2 lambs	$12.00

Insurance, Town Property

Allen & Underhill, tractor and plow	$10.12
Farm Bureau Mutual Auto Ins. Co., truck	37.15
Farmer Co-operative Fire Ins. Co., Laird building	8.00
Union Mutual Fire Ins. Co., town hall	13.20
Allen & Underhill, town hall	41.60
Granite Mutual Fire Ins. Co., town hall	41.60
	$151.67

Hemlock Lumber

Robert Cahill, labor	$5.00
Fred Cahill, labor	3.00
O. E. Burgess, labor	72.10
W. A. Reed, labor	9.45
G. C. Lyford, labor	2.80
Kenneth Thompson, labor	16.10
G. D. Lyford, labor	3.60
E. G. LaFrancis, labor	5.20
Vermont Maple Products, sawing	17.27
Green Mountain Box Co.	22.33
Walter Druge, trucking	19.50
Jack Kennedy, trucking	61.10
Glenn Button, trucking	30.00
H. G. Lyford, skidding	94.75
	$362.20

Bridges

Warren Mattoon, 6 stringers	$40.00
Guy Moxley, part payment of stringer	25.00
Arthur Clough, hemlock for abutments	10.00
M. C. Taft, labor	25.00
G. D. Lyford, labor	72.20
E. G. LaFrancis, labor	68.10
Orange Taylor, labor	31.85
O. E. Burgess, labor and cash supplies	68.25
Arthur O'Donnell, labor	16.80
W. A. Reed, labor	35.90
E. Colby, spikes	2.10

J. M. Comstock, use of truck	39.33
	$434.53

Taxes Assesed

H. N. Mattison, county tax	$124.32
C. C. Liese, town property and fire tax	115.42
Levi R. Kelley, state highway	735.72
Marion Button, farm bureau	160.31
Levi R. Kelley, old age assistance	1,001.25
	$2,137.02

Appropriations

W. A. Reed, Memorial day	$50.00
J. M. Comstock, Treas., library	150.00
E. B. Hatch, Treas. C. F. D. No. 1, fire protection	100.00
	$300.00

Truck

H. F. Gates, gas and oil	$149.59
E. H. Colby, gas and oil	48.75
Motor Vehicle Dept., license	10.00
Kennedy's Garage, labor and parts	157.52
A. M. Flanders, Inc., welding	18.30
G. D. Lyford, cash paid, gas and bolts	2.15
H. N. Sanborn, repair of tires	34.55
O. E. Burgess, cash paid for stamp	5.00
	$425.86

Road Machine

Durkee's Garage, welding	$19.70
Casellini-Venable Corp., blades	25.79
	$45.49

Jack Hammer

Casellini-Venable Corp., hammer and tools	$432.20
Kennedy's Garage, battery	11.60
Trow & Holden, sharpening drills	8.75
	$452.55

Snow Plows

E. G. LaFrancis, labor	$40.80
Robert Holmes, labor	3.15
G. D. Lyford, labor	46.95
W. A. Reed, labor	3.00
Ernest Royce, labor	3.15
Guy Ladd, freight and express	2.16
H. N. Sanborn, charging batteries	2.25
O. E. Burgess, labor, cash paid, supplies and express	51.19
Reynolds & Sons, Inc., supplies	25.90
A. M. Flanders, Inc., welding	47.61
Casellini-Venable Corp., parts	19.72
Dessureau Welding & Repair Shop, parts	11.90
Lincoln Iron Works, blades and bolts	42.64
Durkee Garage, repair of grousers	205.30
	$505.72

Witholding Taxes

Collector of Internal Revenue	$2.90

Money Borrowed

O. C. B. of Nat'l. White River Bank in Bethel	$2,500.00

Interest

O. C. B. of Nat'l. White River Bank in Bethel	$1.88

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Our town highway system comprises 92.90 miles of roads, divided as follows: 4.60 miles "state aid" highway, 10.75 miles of "state" highway and 77.55 miles of "town" highway. The state highway is the highway from the Tunbridge town line to the Washington town line and from the junction near the Bank block to the Vershire line. The state aid highways are the road from George Densmore's to the Brookfield line above Irving Hood's and from the junction near James Kennedy's to the Arthur Bacon place. The balance are town highways.

GENERAL HIGHWAY ACCOUNT

George D. Lyford, Road Commissioner

What We Have to Spend

Town tax of 50 cents	$3,156.92
For use of truck and grader	12.50
Total	$3,169.42
Orders drawn	3,857.64
Leaving an overdraft of	$688.22
Plus 1944 overdraft	170.12
Total overdraft	$858.34

Orders Drawn By Geo. D. Lyford, Road Commissioner

Orange Taylor, labor	$374.60
Clyde Beede, labor	273.10
E. G. LaFrancis, labor	516.50
O. E. Burgess, labor	183.90
George D. Lyford, labor	577.90
W. A. Reed, labor	14.70
George C. Lyford, jr., labor	2.70
Forrest Sanborn, labor	15.45
Walter Grant, labor, with team	80.40
H. G. Lyford, labor, with tractor	132.60
Ernest Royce, labor	2.25
Richard Druge, labor, with team	54.30
Donald Ramsey, labor	30.45
Herbert Chambers, labor	7.00
Lionel Roberts, labor, with team	39.60
George M. Taylor, labor, with team	21.60
Harold Hayward, labor	25.20
Nelson Dukette, labor, with team	75.60
T. N. Hill, labor, with team	15.00
Rudolph Dukette, labor	4.20
Alton Felch, labor, with team	39.60
Clarence Hook, labor	31.50
Raymond Moulton, labor	2.10
Athol Coburn, labor, with team	68.95
E. F. Kindell, labor	8.40
Donald Batty, labor	4.20

Archie McCullough, labor, with team		7.20
Archie Durpas, labor, with team		83.00
Arthur O'Donnell, labor		138.10
Warren Cross, labor, with team		1.40
C. D. Densmore, labor		5.60
Robert Ainsworth, labor		1.50
George Reed, cement tile		31.68
Allen & Underhill, bond, order book, paper		21.60
Stanley C. Wilson, gravel		72.00
Richard Croft, hardware		5.16
Town Treasurer of Chelsea, use of truck		440.50
Town Treasurer of Chelsea, use of tractor		394.00
C. C. Liese, taxes for Clyde Beede		6.00
Internal Revenue Service taxes—		
O. E. Burgess	$14.30	
E. G. LaFrancis	4.70	
Orange Taylor	4.70	
Clyde Beede	2.80	
George D. Lyford	12.50	
Athol Coburn	.30	
Arthur O'Donnell	6.80	
Internal Revenue Service taxes		46.10
Total		$3,857.64

UNSELECTED HIGHWAYS

G. D. Lyford, Foreman

Orders Drawn By Selectmen

Amount on hand Feb. 1, 1945	$36.38
Received from sale of dynamite and other sources	82.15
Received from State	5,751.97
	$5,870.50
Orders drawn	5,843.95
Amount on hand Feb. 2, 1946	$26.55

Orders Drawn

G. D. Lyford, labor	$586.00
W. A. Reed, labor	188.00
Orange Taylor, labor	252.75
Clyde Beede, labor	112.35
Arthur O'Donnell, labor	129.80
E. G. LaFrancis, labor	632.50
Earland LaFrancis, labor	76.35
Harold Hayward, labor	12.60
Glenn Button, labor	11.20
Elwin Kendall, labor	44.95
Lloyd Hill, labor	18.90
E. C. Woodworth, labor	18.00
Herbert Kennedy, labor	61.65
Robert Holmes, labor	15.40
Donald Ramsey, labor	7.88
Norman Fletcher, labor	25.90
Perley Fletcher, labor	27.70
H. G. Lyford, labor	88.65
Carl Downing, labor	20.30
Orlando Braman, labor	29.30
Donald Tucker, labor	25.15
Mike Kennedy, labor	69.05
Allen Dupres, labor	27.70
Leo Doyle, labor	23.05
Robert Blake, labor	43.30
Lewis Austin, labor	32.40
Orville Ladd, labor	20.30
Bernard Downing, labor	11.20
Albert Coburn, labor	14.00
Warren Hook, labor	5.60
Stanley Hook, labor	12.60
Kenneth Thompson, labor	23.25
Robert Broadwell, labor	11.20
Clarence Kennedy, labor	2.80
E. G. Thorne, labor	12.35
John Doyle, Jr., labor	8.05
Wayne Taplin, man and truck	260.85
G. H. Hayward, man and truck	281.50
Jack Kennedy, man and truck	288.92
Delbert Bradbury, man and truck	248.62
O. E. Burgess, labor, self and truck	500.45
Lyman Shepherd, truck	162.57

Berger Metal Culvert Co.	149.62
Montgomery Ward, 15 reels wire	68.25
Frank Bailey, 400 cedar posts	80.00
S. C. Wilson, 2,237 yards gravel	223.70
Vermont Explosives Inc., dynamite and caps	204.00
J. M. Comstock, Treasurer, use of tractor and grader	203.35
J. M. Comstock, Treasurer, use of truck	371.10
J. M. Comstock, Treasurer, use of drill	10.61
Mrs. Elizabeth Sutton, 1c toll on 763 loads gravel	7.63
Collector Internal Revenue, withholding tax	80.60
Total	$5,843.95

SNOW ROADS

Orders Drawn By Selectmen

Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1945	$91.26
Received from State on State Aid roads	47.35
Received from State on Unselected roads	800.00
Received from Town of Washington	24.70
Received from L. W. Webster	7.60
	$970.91
Total orders drawn	951.35
Balance unexpended	$19.56

Orders Outstanding Jan. 2, 1946

No. 263, Jan. 21, 1946, Merle Colby	$11.90
No. 273, Jan. 30, 1946, Richard Kennedy	33.60
No. 275, Jan. 31, 1946, Harry O'Donnell	9.10
No. 276, Jan. 31, 1946, Arthur O'Donnell	9.80
	$64.40

Snow Roads

John Gardner, plowing with tractor	$130.30
W. A. Reed, labor	46.55
E. G. LaFrancis, labor	204.30
Gerald Slack, labor	27.65
Athol Coburn, labor	8.40

G. D. Lyford, labor	237.65
O. E. Burgess, labor	51.40
Richard Kennedy, labor	44.40
E. G. Thorne, labor	6.00
Richard Betts, labor	7.00
F. R. Thorne, labor	2.00
Ernest Royce, labor	2.40
Carroll Jackson, self and team	5.70
H. G. Lyford, labor	76.80
Jack Kennedy, plowing	26.00
Merle Colby, labor	11.90
Paul Libby, labor	2.10
George Taylor, labor	10.80
Harry Slack, labor	5.00
E. C. Woodworth, labor	3.30
J. M. Comstock, use of truck	17.00
Harry O'Donnell, labor	9.10
Arthur O'Donnell, labor	9.80
Collecter of Internal Revenue	5.80
	$951.35

SANDING ROADS

Balance unexpended Feb. 1, 1945	$312.99
Received from town tax of 5 cents	315.69
Total available	$628.68
Total orders drawn	254.89
Balance unexpended	$373.79

Order Outstanding

No. 172, Jan. 9, Bert Wight	$8.40

Orders Drawn By Selectmen

T. N. Hill, labor	$5.40
E. G. LaFrancis, labor	26.00
G. D. Lyford, labor	32.40
Lewis Austin, labor	4.90
Robert Blake, labor	22.75
Kenneth Thompson, labor	8.40
O. E. Burgess, labor and use of truck	90.81
International Salt Co.	40.00

J. M. Comstock, use of truck	14.03
Bert Wight, sand	10.20
	$254.89

WELFARE DEPARTMENT

Charles F. Button, Overseer

Orders Drawn As Follows

To Dept. of Public Welfare		$637.06
For Charles B. Fletcher, hospital care		78.35
For Guy Coburn, board, care and doctor's services		141.00
For Mrs. Arthur O'Donnell, hospital care		22.74
For Mark Dunbar, groceries and clothing		169.62
For Mrs. Irene Trombly		
doctor's services	$4.00	
hospital care	12.00	
		16.00
For Clyde Buck family		
Groceries	$23.05	
Hospital	28.35	
		51.40
For Francis Scott family, groceries		8.38
For David Blakeney family, groceries		101.55
For Orange Taylor family, board and care		
Mrs. Taylor and children	$108.00	
Hospital care	91.43	
Doctor's services	23.50	
Groceries and clothing	89.59	
Wood	34.15	
		346.67
For Mrs. Evelyn Austin, wood		28.00
For care of tramps		12.00
For miscellaneous expense		1.05
Total orders drawn		$1,623.82

ROBERTS POOR FUND

Disbursements have been made from the Roberts Poor Fund for the benefit of six persons or families within the year to the amount of	$293.45
For flour for members of the board	44.00
	$337.95

TREASURER'S REPORT

In Account With Roberts Poor Fund Board

Receipts

Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1945	$670.12
Received from Old Colony Trust Co., income of fund	485.00
Received interest on savings account	4.32
	$1,159.44

Disbursements

Paid 16 orders drawn by board	$337.95
Balance on hand Jan. 31, 1946	$821.49

This balance is made up as follows:

Checking account in National White River Bank, Orange County Branch	$260.28
Savings account in same bank	561.21
	$821.49

JOHN M. COMSTOCK, Treasurer.

REPORT OF HEALTH OFFICER

During the year ending Jan. 31, 1946, 51 cases of communicable disease have been reported to me as Health Officer and same have been reported by me to the State Board of Health.

There were reported 29 cases of mumps, 8 cases of chicken pox, 12 cases of whooping cough, 1 case of German measles and 1 case of scarlet fever.

Samples of water from the various systems, the school supply systems and one or two private wells have been sent to the State Laboratory for examination.

Again I express my appreciation to the townspeople and to Dr. Mitchell for their cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,
O. FAY ALLEN,
Local Health Officer.

VERMONT OLD AGE ASSISTANCE DEPARTMENT
120 STATE STREET
MONTPELIER, VERMONT

For the information of your taxpayers the customary annual statement is presented for your town report.

Payments of Old Age Assistance to persons applying from your town amounted to $7,003.50 during the year January 1, 1945 to December 31, 1945.

The number of recipients in December, 1945, was 25.

The resources of this department and its ability to make payments are determined by the state appropriation which is matched by federal funds. During recent months it has not been possible to grant assistance or to increase all who were found eligible after investigation. The cost of living has increased so much that about every case needs to be increased that is not now getting the maximum. The co-operation of Overseers in extending temporary aid and supplementary medical services has been very helpful.

The administrative expenses of this department have risen slightly during the biennial period but the administrative review of the Social Security Board emphasizes that the total administrative cost per case per month is among the lowest in the country.

The advice and counsel of local officials and interested people are gratefully acknowledged by this department and its field staff.

Very sincerely yours,
W. L. SEWARD, Director.

REPORT OF CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

The following new funds for care of lots have been received during the year:

W. A. Densmore	$100.00
Ann W. Burbank's heirs	100.00
Mrs. Anna L. Kezer	100.00
Mrs. Minnie M. Goodwin	100.00
Almena H. Coburn's estate	200.00
Mrs. Mary A. Griffin	100.00
Mrs. Minnie E. Roberts	100.00

Orders Drawn By Chairman

J. B. Hill	$392.95
W. A. Reed	228.00
P. D. Sargent	31.60
G. L. Slack	3.50
J. M. Comstock, Treas., (error in account)	62.35
E. N. Dearborn	55.00
P. J. Heath	45.00
J. M. Comstock	20.00
	$838.40

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1945	$100.30
Received from interest on U. S. bonds	267.00
Received from individuals for care of lots	178.00
Received from interest on funds in savings accounts	59.41
Received from interest on sundry funds	9.00
Received from H. E. Roberts Cemetery fund for care of lots	10.00
Received from sale of lots	6.00
Received from money borrowed	450.00
	$1,079.71

Disbursements

Paid 35 orders	$838.40
Paid interest on loan	4.50
	$842.90
Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1946	$236.81

TREASURER'S REPORT OF H. E. ROBERTS CEMETERY FUND

Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1945	$575.95
Interest received	5.77
	$581.72
Paid for care of lots in 1945	10.00
Balance on hand Jan. 31, 1946	$571.72

TREASURER'S REPORT OF HIGHLAND AVENUE CEMETERY FUND

Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1945	$7.19
Interest received	8.05
	$15.24
Paid orders of committee	15.00
Balance in treasurer's hands	$.24

The principal of this fund is now $803.36, deposited in a savings account in the National White River Bank, Orange County Branch.

TREASURER'S REPORT OF ADA JACKSON FUND FOR CARE OF TREES ON HIGHLAND AVENUE

Nothing was expended from this fund during the past year. It is deposited as a savings account in the National White River Bank, Orange County Branch. The amount now stands at $512.96.

TAXES ABATED

Clyde N. and Sarah H. Beede—	
1938, '39, '40, '41, '42, '43, '45	$79.37
Forrest and Anna C. Cram, 1942	12.60
Nelson A. Lyford, 1940, '41	35.01

Ralph Merchant, 1940	5.41
Harry B. O'Donnell, 1932	10.36
LaForest H. Priest, 1939, '40, '41	13.59
George E. Rollins, 1937, '38, '39, '42	18.06
	$174.46

REPORT OF DOGS LICENSED BY TOWN CLERK

101 dogs at $2 each	$202.00
13 dogs at $6 each	78.00
7 dogs at $3 each	21.00
10 dogs on breeder's license	30.00
	$331.00
Less fees at 15 cents each	19.65
Amount paid to town treasurer	$311.35

LEASE LAND

Received For Parsonage Right

S. C. Wilson	$34.60
W. A. Reed	10.00
L. H. Bacon, Jr.	12.04
Mrs. C. B. Fletcher	1.86
	$58.50

Division of Parsonage Right Rentals

United Church	$39.00
West Hill Church	19.50

Received For School Right

H. W. Armstrong	$11.00
P. J. Heath	4.75
W. E. Burbank	4.50
Flint Bros. Lumber Co.	6.25
V. R. Longley	1.50
R. Kennedy	3.00
E. H. Colby	.75

H. C. Camp	.50
	$32.25

All lease land rents paid to date.

REPORT OF CHELSEA PUBLIC LIBRARY AND ALDEN SPEAR MEMORIAL BUILDING

Report of Librarian

During 1945, 50 books were added to the library of which 14 were gifts, including 9 from the Book Club. Of these 30 are adult fiction (five on rental), 20 adult non-fiction (two from the Stow fund) and 4 juveniles. The circulation for the year was 5,428.

Following are the receipts and expenditures of the librarian:

Receipts

On hand Feb. 1, 1945	$6.96
From fines	26.75
From rentals	10.00
From discarded books	4.50
From books lost by patrons	2.50
	$50.71

Expenditures

For supplies and postage	$11.53
For rentals (paid to treasurer)	10.00
For sundries	10.19
Paid to Free Public Library, commission for lost book	1.90
	$33.62
Leaving balance in librarian's hands	$17.09

With the assistance of Miss Dorothy Randolph, Secretary of the Free Public Library Commission, and Miss Eleanor Wells, Assistant Secretary, the books in our library were checked over during the past Summer, with the result that approximately 3,000 volumes with little or no circulation were discarded. The remaining books are being rearranged by the librarian and

her assistants. One of the stacks has been removed from the reading room. The fireplace has been repaired and will shortly be equipped with a screen and andirons. Varnish has been purchased to do over the floors and woodwork when warm weather comes. The trustees are purchasing a children's table and chairs and are making the reading room more attractive and comfortable for adults and children.

RACHEL COMSTOCK, Librarian.

Report of Treasurer

Receipts

Appropriation of town	$150.00	
Income of Roberts fund	160.00	
Income of Stow fund	24.00	
Income of Braley fund	5.00	
Rentals (from librarian)	10.00	
From sale of discarded books as paper salvage	14.20	
Drawn from bank deposit	65.00	
		$428.20

Expenditures

Due treasurer at beginning of year	$7.72	
Librarian and assistants	186.42	
Janitor	35.00	
Books	64.89	
Periodicals	40.30	
Wood	40.00	
Repairs	22.90	
Sundries	6.56	
		$403.79
Leaving balance in treasurer's hands		$24.41

Respectfully submitted,

O. FAY ALLEN, JR.
M. S. BICKNELL,
J. M. COMSTOCK,
MARY A. GRIFFIN,
NELLIE S. HOOD, Trustees.

REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR

C. C. Liese, Collector

Balance Sheet

Year	Uncollected Feb. 1, 1945	Collected	Uncollected Feb. 1, 1946
1932 property	$10.36	$10.36	.....
1936 property	1.60	1.60	.....
1936 polls	14.82	4.94	$9.88
1937 property	6.54	.....	6.54
1937 polls	5.77	5.77	.....
1938 polls	28.79	16.83	11.96
1939 property	12.47	.....	12.47
1939 polls	43.76	18.71	25.05
1940 property	90.94	42.82	48.12
1940 polls	42.01	29.81	12.20
1941 property	89.78	65.07	24.71
1941 polls	50.40	25.20	25.20
1942 property	254.86	163.21	91.65
1942 polls	69.77	50.87	18.90
1943 property	567.09	490.17	76.92
1943 polls	62.50	25.00	37.50
1944 property	1,131.91	781.99	349.92
1944 polls	256.25	210.88	45.37
1945 property	21,992.46	21,253.23	739.23
1945 polls	2,781.25	2,637.50	143.75
Totals	$27,513.33	$25,833.96	$1,679.37

Delinquent Taxes, Feb. 1, 1946

American Legion—		
1944 property	$45.00	
1945 property	45.00	
		$90.00
Austin, Irene M.—		
1943 property	$19.92	
1943 poll	6.25	
1944 property	42.38	
1944 poll	6.25	
		74.80
Austin, Lewis N. & Thelma, 2 1945 polls		12.50
Baraw, Stuart N.—1945 property		5.97
Berry, Harold E.—1940 property		20.20

Berard, Eugene—		
1944 poll	$6.25	
1944 property	13.02	
		19.27
Braman, Wallace H.—1944 poll		6.25
Braman, Nora H.—1942 property		47.73
Clark, Cleveland—1945 property		43.75
Davis, Allie H.—		
1944 property	$11.25	
1945 property	14.07	
1945 poll	6.25	
		31.57
Deroleau, Melvin W.—1945 poll		6.25
Dickerman, Harold E.—1945 poll		6.25
Dumont, Henry B., Est.—1944 property		16.58
Dickerman, George—		
1939 property	$5.79	
1940 property	16.21	
1941 property	17.11	
1944 property	16.88	
1945 property	12.19	
		68.18
Downing, Byron & Lillian E.—		
2 1936 polls	$9.88	
2 1942 polls	12.60	
		22.48
Dukette, Nelson C., Alma E. & Rudolph—		
3 1945 polls	$18.75	
1945 property	1.88	
		20.63
Fletcher, Allen M., Jr.—1945 property		15.00
Fletcher, Chas. B., Est.—1945 property		10.32
Gilman, Frank M.—1945 property		6.00
Goss, Mary—1941 poll		6.30
Gardner, John R. & Ruth E.—2 1945 polls		12.50
Hale, Daniel T.—1945 property		3.75
Hayward, John & Edith C.—2 1945 polls		12.50
Hill, J. Burton & Ella N.—		
2 1938 polls	$11.96	
2 1939 polls	11.68	
2 1940 polls	12.20	
2 1941 polls	12.60	
1 1942 polls	6.30	
		54.74

Holmes, Hazel D.—		
1944 poll	$6.25	
1945 poll	6.25	
		12.50
Kennedy, Glenn E. & Mildred—		
1945 poll	$6.25	
1945 property	7.32	
		13.57
Kennedy, Raymond & Angelia—		
1944 poll	$1.62	
1944 property	19.13	
		20.75
Kuchensky, Peter—		
1945 poll	$6.25	
1945 property	20.63	
		26.88
LaBelle, Fannie—1945 poll		6.25
Little, Emma W., Est. & E. B. Hatch—		
1945 property	$3.75	
1945 property	63.75	
		67.50
Luce, Ernest E. & Lizzie—		
2 1945 polls	$12.50	
1945 property	96.38	
(Harold) 1945 property	15.00	
		123.88
Lyon, Clyde W. & Lyla—		
2 1939 polls	$11.68	
2 1945 polls	12.50	
		24.18
Lyon, Ralph O.—		
1942 property	$12.86	
1943 property	15.75	
1944 property	15.75	
1945 poll	6.25	
		50.61
Moulton, Royal—1937 property		6.54
Mahoney, Robert O.—1945 property		14.63
Malmquist, Walter A.—1945 property		7.50
Melvin, Friend & Winona—		
1944 property	$113.63	
1945 property	85.32	
		198.95

O'Donnell, Arthur E.—		
1944 poll	$6.25	
1945 poll	6.25	
		12.50
O'Donnell, Kenneth A.—		
1942 property	$31.06	
1943 property	26.25	
1944 property	26.25	
1945 property	26.25	
		109.81
O'Donnell, Harry—		
1939 poll	$1.69	
1940 property	4.51	
1941 poll	6.30	
		12.50
Paul, Myrtie M.—1943 property		15.00
Paul, Edward G. & Winfred—		
2 1943 polls	$12.50	
1944 property	15.00	
1945 property	15.00	
		42.50
Pratt, Elmer D.—1945 property		60.00
Rathburn, Mary J., heirs—		
1939 property	$6.68	
1940 property	7.20	
1941 property	7.60	
		21.48
Scott, Francis J. & Barbara—		
2 1943 polls	$12.50	
1944 poll	6.25	
1945 poll	6.25	
		25.00
Scoville, Ena—		
1944 property	$11.82	
1945 property	11.77	
		23.59
Scoville, Helena B.—		
1944 property	$3.23	
1945 property	3.23	
		6.46
Slack, Gerald L.—1945 property		2.63
Stone, Harry L.—1945 property		35.63
Thomas, Leonard D.—1945 property		8.44
Trombley, Albert J.—1945 property		5.63

Tucker, Ray—		
1943 poll	$6.25	
1944 poll	6.25	
		12.50
Whipple, Winifred S.—1945 property		98.44
		$1,679.37

SCHOOL DIRECTORS' REPORT

Maurice Bicknell, Chairman

For School Year, July 1, 1944, to June 30, 1945

Receipts

Balance July 1, 1944	$1,340.09
School tax, 165 cents	11,197.62
Tuition	1,499.30
Lease land rents	32.25
Income, Roberts fund	900.00
State Treasurer	5,807.07
Rent of Grammar School lands	67.88
Total receipts	$20,844.21

Expenditures

Teachers' salaries—		
Paid teachers	$10,048.30	
Paid Coll. of Int. Rev.	347.40	
		$10,395.70
Transportation		1,649.18
Janitor services		1,036.56
Transportation insurance		15.21
Fuel		1,538.74
Lights		73.14
Repairs		704.27
Supplies		911.09
Books		81.71
Fire insurance		122.54
Interest		25.35
Superintendence		801.36
Directors' services and expenses		123.23
Music		394.00
Miscellaneous		53.70

Telephone	49.23
	$17,974.01
Borrowed money repaid	600.00
Total orders drawn	$18,574.01
Unexpended balance	2,270.20
	$20,844.21

Reconciliation of Balance

Balance as per Treasurer's report, June 30, 1945	$2,679.31
Less outstanding orders, June 30, 1945	409.11
Unexpended balance, school, June 30, 1945	$2,270.20

Financial Condition June 30, 1945

Treasurer's balance, June 30, 1945	$2,679.31
Less outstanding orders, June 30, 1945	409.11
Balance	$2,270.20

COMPARATIVE DEBT STATEMENT

Year as of June 30:	
1941 net-debt	$598.01
1942 net debt	1,241.96
1943 net balance	142.24
1944 net balance	965.09
1945 net balance	2,270.20

ITEMIZED EXPENSES

July 1, 1944 to June 30, 1945

Village School

Salaries—	
Urban Wakefield, principal	$2,300.00
Marion Wakefield	1,200.00
Katherine Whitney	1,200.50
Esther Bicknell	945.00
Gertrude White	945.00
Mary Walker	945.00

Ruth Martin	945.00	
	$8,480.50	
Due collector of Int. Rev.	79.80	
Total orders drawn for salaries		$8,400.70
Transportation—		
C. D. Burgess	$717.10	
Clifford Ryder	122.59	
Ernest Young	362.90	
Earl Russell	36.00	
Glenn Button	84.00	
George Taylor	43.80	
Robert Ainsworth	53.13	
Katherine Dumont	36.96	
John Doyle	91.13	
Albion Jones	39.25	
Clyde Sanborn	21.00	
		1,607.86
Janitor (including Gym)		981.06
Lights		19.14
Fuel		1,306.80
Total		$12,315.56

Meadow Brook "Superior School" (No. 1)

Teacher, Elmer Roberts	$945.00
Transportation, Elmer Woodworth	40.32
Janitor, Elmer Roberts	25.50
Fuel	131.44
Lights	18.00
Total	$1,160.26

West Hill "Standard" School (No. 9)

Teacher, Beatrice Coburn	$1,050.00
Janitor, Paul Libby	30.00
Fuel	100.50
Lights	18.00
Total	$1,198.50

Expenses Applying to All Schools

Superintendence	$801.36

Supplies	911.09
Repairs	704.27
Music	394.00
Fire insurance	122.54
Directors	123.23
Telephone	49.23
Miscellaneous	53.70
Interest	25.35
Lights (No. 5, old bill)	18.00
Transportation insurance	15.21
Books	81.71
Total	$3,299.69

Summary

Village school	$12,315.56
No. 1	1,160.26
No. 9	1,198.50
All schools	3,299.69
	$17,974.01

TREASURER'S REPORT

In Account With School Directors From July 1, 1944, to July 1, 1945

Receipts

Balance on hand July 1, 1944	$2,117.47
Tax of 165 cents	11,197.62
Tuition	1,499.30
Lease land rents	32.25
Income, Roberts fund	900.00
State Treasurer	5,807.07
Rent of Grammar school lands	67.88
Total	$21,621.59

Disbursements

Paid School Directors' orders	18,942,28
Balance on hand June 30, 1945	$2,679.31

Outstanding Orders June 30, 1945

No.		
45	Dec. 18, 1943—George Bradshaw	$3.00
831	June 30, 1944—McAuliffe Co.	16.89
846	June 30, 1944—McAuliffe Co.	13.58
67	Jan. 29, 1945—Allen & Underhill	2.85
73	Jan. 30, 1945—World Book Co.	4.85
74	Jan. 30, 1945—MacMillan Co.	1.99
175	May 4, 1945—West Dis. Co.	6.50
198	May 28, 1945—J. L. Hammett Co.	171.35
225	June 14, 1945—Beatrice Coburn	103.40
229	June 14, 1945—Esther Bicknell	84.70
	Total	$409.11

Proof of Audit

The School Directors drew orders during the school year 1944 to 1945 amounting to	$18,574.01
Of which there were outstanding at the end of the school year	375.84
The Treasurer paid current orders amounting to	18,198.17
The Treasurer also paid orders which were outstanding at the beginning of the year amounting to	744.11
Total orders paid per treasurer's report	$18,942.28

Proposed Budget For Period July, 1946, to June 30, 1947

Disbursements

Teachers' salaries	$13,600.00
Transportation	1,200.00
Janitor and cleaning	1,300.00
Fuel	1,100.00
Lights	175.00
Repairs	1,000.00
Supplies	1,200.00
Books	300.00
Insurance	185.00
Superintendence	850.00

Directors' services and expenses	90.00
Sundries	70.00
Total estimated expenses	$21,070.00

Receipts

Lease land rent	$75.00
Roberts fund	945.00
Tuition	1,500.00
State Treasurer	7,500.00
Total estimated receipts without tax	$10,020.00
Estimated money to be raised by $1.80 tax	11,050.00
Est. total receipts with tax included	$21,070.00

Expenditures July 1, 1945 to Jan. 31, 1945

Teachers' salaries	$6,226.40
Transportation	719.92
Transportation insurance	30.30
Repairs	1,884.24
Lights	42.83
Supplies	889.82
Books	256.87
Fuel	899.08
Fire insurance	150.35
Superintendence	387.00
Directors' salary and expenses	88.32
School census	11.82
Sundries	55.95
Collector of Internal Revenue— (withholding taxes)	271.80
Music	79.00
Telephone	30.59
Janitor service	593.10
Labor hired	324.37
Total	$12,941.76

To the Voters of the Town of Chelsea:

The school board feels that the same amount of tax raised last year ($1.80) will be sufficient to cover the cost of operating the schools from July 1, 1946 to June 30, 1947.

Extra State Aid money has helped this past year, and will, we feel, help to offset the extra cost of repairs and supplies.

Two rural schools, numbers 8 and 10, are still closed, but under the present State set-up, we still get State Aid on these closed schools to the extent of 29 pupils in each school.

No. 5 has been reopened, new toilets have been installed, but the work had not been completed to date.

Much needed new toilets have also been installed in the Village school.

The commercial course is very popular and is one of the reasons why the number of pupils enrolled is steadily growing. The number of tuition pupils in the High School is now 18. The total tuition students for the schools is 22.

Respectfully submitted,

MAURICE S. BICKNELL,
GLENN A. BUTTON,
FRANKLIN D. BURBANK, Directors.

School Directors' Orders Outstanding Feb. 1, 1946

No.		
45	Dec. 18, 1943—George Bradshaw	$3.00
831	June 30, 1944—McAuliffe Co.	16.89
846	June 30, 1944—McAuliffe Co.	13.58
67	Jan. 29, 1945—Allen & Underhill	2.85
73	Jan. 30, 1945—World Book Co.	4.85
74	Jan. 30, 1945—MacMillan Co.	1.99
175	May 4, 1945—West Dis. Co.	6.50
198	May 28, 1945—J. L. Hammett Co.	171.35
428	Dec. 31, 1945—E. H. Colby	2.60
466	Jan. 26, 1946—Glenn Button	43.10
467	Jan. 26, 1946—Clifford Ryder	61.90
468	Jan. 26. 1946—John Doyle	46.72
469	Jan. 26, 1946—Earl Russell	4.72
470	Jan. 26, 1946—Robert Ainsworth	11.86
471	Jan. 26, 1946—Ernest Cloud	20.00
472	Jan. 26, 1946—E. M. Young	30.00
477	Jan. 31, 1946—Glenn Button	15.00
	Total	$456.91

CHELSEA TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT

In Account With School Directors From July 1, 1945 to Jan. 31, 1946

Receipts

Balance on hand July 1, 1945	$2,679.31
Tax of 180 cents	11,364.91
From State Treasurer	7,717.36
Income from Roberts fund	985.00
Tuition	14.00
Lease land rent	32.25
Insurance refund	.54
Total	$22,793.37

Disbursements

Paid School Directors' orders	$12,893.96
Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1946	$9,899.41

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Board of School Directors and Citizens of Chelsea:

This report is for the school year ending June 30th, 1945, and is a part of the report of the Board of School Directors required by law.

Two one-room schools and the Village elementary school were each maintained for a period of thirty-five weeks and the high school for thirty-six weeks. There were six teaching positions in the elementary schools and three in the high school. The average number of pupils enrolled in the elementary schools was 153 and the average daily attendance was 137.57. The average number enrolled in the high school was 47 with an average daily attendance of 43.12. The average per-pupil cost was, for elementary schools $91.32, and for high school $124.87. Thirty-three elementary school pupils were transported at an average cost of $50.10.

A review of pupil progress shows that of the 162 different elementary school pupils enrolled, 127 were promoted, six were promoted conditionally, twenty were not promoted, eight transferred to other schools, and one dropped out of school. Forty-six of the forty-seven enrolled in high school were promoted and one transferred to another school.

The federal-aided school lunch, sponsored by the Chelsea Woman's Club, is greatly appreciated at the West Hill and Village schools. Teachers report that pupils are more alert in the afternoon, school work has improved, and fewer children are underweight for their age. A hot lunch at noon consisting of wholesome food, balanced in nature and amount to meet the needs of growing boys and girls is now regarded as necessary in a satisfactory community health program.

New water flush toilets, urgently needed for a long time, have been installed at the Barre Road and Village schools. A recent check with the standard school rating sheet showed the following needs: Additional playground equipment at the Village school and new window shades for the grammar room, wire screens and new window shades at several schools. New water flush toilets and drinking fixtures are needed at Meadow Brook and West Hill. New series of text books are needed in all of the grades for several of the school subjects. The state has recently changed the requirements for use of school improvement funds. A school which was rated as standard or superior at least ten years ago, but which has since lost its rating and its name-plate, may receive aid again from the standardization and community aid funds. The rate of aid from the standardization fund has been increased from the one-third to the one-half basis. It is now possible under the new requirements for such a school to receive $1,100 worth of improvement in one year for a net cost to the town of $450 and, if distributed over a period of two years, $1,900 worth of improvement for a net cost to the town of $750.

In the critical days that lie ahead each of us needs to increase in his own mind the worth of the many blessings that he has enjoyed and is now enjoying. One of the truly great blessings that everyone appre-

ciates is a good public school, conveniently located in each community, conducted by a good, earnest, and fair-minded man or woman. For the next five years the really great difficulty of all boards of school directors in the farming areas and small villages is to employ enough of these people to keep our schools open. No amount of money within reason can attract such people to our rural schools and hold them when greater attractions are in the larger places, and when there are just not enough of them to teach all of the schools everywhere. In this situation the obligation of every school director and of every parent and of every citizen who wants an open school in every community is clear. That is to make the life of the teacher pleasant by showing at all times plain, ordinary, human kindness in thought and word and action. Many teachers who have been made to feel at home in a community by the good spirit of both neighbors and employers, by a word or act of appreciation now and then for their service—for it is a service, a noble one—have been contented because of their sense of worth in their work to remain in an humble position when their ability could have given them far greater rewards elsewhere.

I am grateful to the school directors, parents, teachers, community organizations and townspeople for their support.

Respectfully submitted,

A. COURTNEY PARKER,
Superintendent of Schools.

INVENTORY OF TOWN PROPERTY

(Real estate listed as per listers' appraisal)

Real estate—		
Laird farm	$1,000.00	
Garage	$1,500.00	
Town forest	50.00	
Town hall	10,000.00	
North Common	200.00	
South Common	200.00	
Town barn	300.00	
		$13,250.00
Office equipment	$200.00	
Town hall equipment	200.00	
Road machine	150.00	
Chains, tools and equipment	100.00	
3 Indian Pack pumps	25.00	
Tractor and plow	1,000.00	
Ford truck	400.00	
		2,075.00
Material and supplies on hand—		
Lumber	25.00	
Fuel oil, lub. oil and grease	200.00	
Wood at town hall	100.00	
Wood at garage	5.00	
Blades and noses for snow plow	20.00	
		350.00
Grand total		$15,675.00

School Property

School building in District No. 1	$1,000.00	
School building in District No. 2	4,000.00	
Gymnasium in District No. 2	500.00	
Athletic field	500.00	
School building in District No. 5	1,000.00	
School building in District No. 8	500.00	
School building in District No. 9	1,000.00	
School building in District No. 10	800.00	
		$9,300.00
Equipment, furniture, etc.		500.00
Books and supplies		500.00
Total		$10,300.00

Total value town property	$15,675.00
Total value of school property	10,300.00
Total	$25,975.00

TOWN OF CHELSEA

Report of Glenn Sanborn, Fire Warden, For Year Ending Dec. 31, 1945

Oct. 10, 1945—Fire at Densmore & Hatch's	$2.40
Oct. 11, 1945—Fire near Earl Russell's	5.20
Total	$7.60

Attended 1 fire warden meeting at White River Junction.

Number of permits issued 6.

For fire fighting equipment, the town owns 3 Indian pack pumps and the Fire District owns 3 of the same.

We need more fire fighting equipment, such as fire rakes, hazel hoes, etc.

People should obtain their permits before burning brush, grass, etc. Last year there were several violations noted. They will be reported next time.

Respectfully submitted,

GLENN SANBORN, Fire Warden.

CHELSEA VITAL STATISTICS—1945

Births

Bacon, Belva Louise, daughter of Leonard H. Jr., and Fannie E. (Whittier), Nov. 6 (in Barre).

Bellefeuille, Judith Anne, daughter of John A. and Shirley H. (MacKeil), June 29 in (Barre).

Blakeney, Raymond Earl, son of David L. and Madeline A. (Fletcher), Feb. 21 (in Barre).

Burgess, Thomas Elmer, son of Charles D. and Vera A. (Burnham), Feb. 6 (in Barre).

Colby, Richard Lloyd, son of Kenneth L. and Vida M. (Kennedy), June 25 (in Barre).

Dwinell, Leslie Joan, daughter of Fred E. and Bertha C. (Barnhardt), July 28 (in Barre).

Eddy, Marjorie Jean, daughter of Harrison J. and Myrle (Burbank), June 15, (in Barre).

Gates, Stacey Michael, son of George F. and Lyra M. (Roberts), Oct. 30 (in Barre).

Gilman, Nellie, daughter of Roger C. and Clara A. (Titus), April 9, (in Barre).

Hayward, Lyman John, son of John M. and Edith G. (Carey), June 10 (in Barre).

Hayward, Robert Earl, son of Harold W. and Marie R. (Brooks), Aug. 25 (in Barre).

Kennedy, Victoria Winifred, daughter of Glenn E. and Mildred I. (Austin), Jan. 18.

Ladd, Steven Bryant, son of Donald M. and Frances L. (Bryant), Sept. 29 (in Barre).

Lyford, Daniel William, son of Herbert G. and Gertrude N. (Doyle), Jan. 29 (in Barre).

Magoon, Paul Edward, son of Russell L. and Lucy M. (Tuller), March 2 (in Barre).

Osmer, Harry Hanson, son of Harold E. and Edith M. (Bowley), Aug. 16 (in Barre).

Paton, Virginia Ann, daughter of Walter E. and Louise E. (Hood), Sept. 3 (in Barre).

Rogers, Lois Marie, daughter of James H. and Alma E. (Roberts) Dec. 14 (in Barre).

Rowe, Martha Louise, daughter of Alfred L. and Isabel (Blakeborough), Dec. 15 (in Barre).

Smith, Patricia Jean, daughter of Harry J. and Edna M. (Gates), May 22 (in Barre).

Marriages

Feb. 14—Oscar W. Leneau of Windsor and Ethel Braman of Chelsea.

July 2—Alan R. Corwin and Virginia Brice, both of Chelsea.

Aug. 11—John N. Schoch of Portsmouth, N. H., and Evelyn M. Reed of Chelsea.

Aug. 20—Wendell H. Lyman of Sharon and Marcia L. Whitney of Chelsea.

Aug. 29—Neal A. Felch and Janice M. MacKeil, both of Chelsea.

Sept. 30—John R. Kennedy and Vera M. Hill, both of Chelsea.

Oct. 10—George M. DeAlmeida and June A. McCullough, both of Chelsea.
both of Chelsea.

Dec. 2—George C. Lyford and Thelma Burbank,

Dec. 2—Clay C. Jordan of Chelsea and Wilma L. Kenyon of Greenwich, Conn.

Dec. 8—David C. Gilman and Norma H. Gates, both of Chelsea.

Dec. 16—Brewster D. Martin of Pittsfield and Clara M. Liese of Chelsea.

Deaths

Coburn, Robert Clarence, Feb. 16, aged 20 years, 7 months, 4 days (in Germany).

Davenport, Flora Esther, Jan. 6, aged 76 years, 6 months, 9 days (in Randolph).

Davis, Sarah Angie, July 17, aged 92 years, 9 days.

Dearborn, Calvin Noble, Aug. 23, aged 80 years, 2 months, 6 days.

Fletcher, Charles Burton, April 30, aged 72 years, 3 months, 4 days.

Goodwin, William Chandler, July 20, aged 74 years, 7 months. 25 days (in Barre).

Larabee, John Flint, Nov. 5, aged 49 years, 29 days.

Lincoln, Addie M., June 24, aged 69 years, 8 months, 6 days (in Randolph).

Morgan, Glenn Elwin, Oct. 11, aged 57 years, 1 month, 12 days (in Barre).

WARNING

The legal voters of the Town and Town School District of Chelsea are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Town Hall in Chelsea on Tuesday, the 5th day of March, A. D. 1946, at 11:00 o'clock A. M., to act on the following articles:

1. To choose a moderator and town clerk.

2. To receive and act upon the reports of the several town officers.

3. To see if the town will authorize its selectmen to appoint a road commissioner, and if so, whether one or two shall be appointed.

4. To choose all necessary officers for the town and town school district for the ensuing term.

5. To raise money to pay the indebtedness of the town and current expenses for the ensuing year.

6. To see what amount of tax the town school district will vote for the maintenance of schools.

7. To see what amount of tax the town will vote for the maintenance of highways.

8. To see if the town will authorize its selectmen to borrow money from time to time when necessary to carry on the business of the town.

9. To see if the town will vote to place its tax bills in the hands of the Town Treasurer for collection.

10. To see if the town will authorize its selectmen to contract with Chelsea Fire District No. 1 for fire protection of buildings and other property of the town outside said Fire District and within the town for the year beginning April 1, 1946.

11. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money for the support of the Chelsea Public Library, and if so, how much.

12. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money for the observance of Memorial day, and if so, how much.

13. To see if the town will vote to collect taxes on real and personal property in installments.

14 To see if the town will vote to secure the services of a doctor and nurse for a health inspection of all school children at least twice during the school year.

15 To see if the town will vote to instruct its school directors to keep all rural schools in town open where there are enough pupils in the district to maintain a legal school; also to provide a suitable conveyance where the school is closed.

16 To see if the town will vote to fix the compensation of town officers, and if so, at what amounts.

17. To see if the town will vote to have its fiscal year end December 31, 1946.

18. To vote on these questions:

Shall licenses for the sale of malt and vinous beverages be granted in this town?

Shall spirituous liquors be sold in this town?

19. To transact any other proper business.

A. M. J. EDWARDS,
DEAN H. GILMAN,
O. E. BURGESS,
Selectmen.

Chelsea, Vt., Feb. 18, 1946.

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Town Officers 1946-1947.

Moderator,		O. Fay Allen
Clerk,		J. M. Comstock
	Dean H. Gilman	Term expires 1947
Selectmen,	Oliver E. Burgess	Term expires 1948
	Angier M. J. Edwards	Term expires 1949
Treasurer,		J. M. Comstock
Overseer of Poor,		Charles F. Button
Road Commissioner,		Lionel D. Roberts
Constable,		Chauncey C. Liese
Collector of Taxes,		Chauncey C. Liese
	George Bradshaw	Term expires 1947
Listers,	Charles H. Baraw	Term expires 1947
	Percy J. Heath	Term expires 1948
	George E. Chase,	Term expires 1947
Trustees of Public Money	H. L. Hayward,	Term expires 1948
	Frank W. Button,	Term expires 1949
	Glen A. Button	Term expires 1947
School Directors,	F. D. Burbank	Term expires 1948
	Fred E. Dwinell	Term expires 1949
	E. Harold Colby	Term expires 1947
Auditors.	O. Fay Allen, Jr.	Term expires 1947
	O. F. Allen	Term expires 1948
	M. S. Bicknell	Term expires 1947
	J. M. Comstock	Term expires 1948
Trustees of Public Library,	Mary A. Griffin	Term expires 1949
	Nellie S. Hood	Term expires 1950
	O. Fay Allen, Jr.	Term expires 1951
Superintendent of Schools,		A. C. Parker
Clerk of School Board,		Fred E. Dwinell
Town Grand Jurors	O. Fay Allen, Jr.,	George L. Button
Town Agent,		O. Fay Allen, Jr.
Surveyor of Wood and Lumber,		William A. Reed
		Guy W. Bowin
Fence Viewers,		G. Warren Cross
		George P. Bradshaw
Weigher of Coal,		Henry F. Gates
Pound Keeper,		Everett F. Spear
Supervisor Old Age Assistance		O. Fay Allen
	Percy J. Heath	Term expires 1947
	J. M. Comstock	Term expires 1948
Cemetery Commissioners,	Fred E. Dwinell,	Term expires 1949
	S. C. Wilson	Term expires 1950
	Edward B. Hatch	Term expires 1951

TOWN OF CHELSEA, VT.

1946-1947

Population 1,007 (last census). Area 23,818 acres. Altitude, 840 feet. Miles of highways, 92.90, of which 10 miles is State Highway.

Real and personal grand list	$5,768.91
Polls, 468	468.00
Total grand list	$6,236.91

Basis of Grand List

List value of real estate in town	$450,693.00
List value of personal property in town	128,901.00
List value of taxable property in town	$579.594.00
List value of personal property offset	2,703.00
List value of property taxed	$576,891.00
One per cent of list value of property taxed	5,768.91
Taxable polls, 468 at $1	468.00
Grand list of town	$6,236.91

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Comparative Statements

Grand List		Tax Rate	
1942	$5,977.23	1942	$3.80
1943	6,205.33	1943	3.75
1944	6,220.90	1944	3.75
1945	6,313.84	1945	3.75
1946	6,236.91	1946	4.25

6236.91
4.25
31184.55
12473.82
24947.64
26506.767
26506.7
26506.
23856.09

Total Tax Raised

(School tax included)

	Amount raised
1942—$3.80 and $2.50 old age assistance	$23,964.69
1943—$3.75 and $2.50 old age assistance	24,443.66
1944—$3.75 and $2.50 old age assistance	24,473.38
1945—$3.75 and $2.50 old age assistance	24,773.71
1946—$4.25 and $2.50 old age assistance	27,677.11

TOWN ACCOUNT

Assets—What We Own

(Real estate and personal property not included)

Uncollected taxes		$1,960.19
U. S. War Bond (purchase price)		37.50
Cash on hand—		
In General Town account	$1,664.41	
In Sanding Roads account	24.68	
In Unselected Roads account	54.63	
In General Highway account	19.28	
		$1,763.00
		$3,760.69

Liabilities—What We Owe

On note at bank	$4,000.00
Outstanding orders in Highway Dept.	2.10
	$4,002.10
Feb. 1, 1947, excess of liabilities over assets, net indebtedness	$240.41
Feb. 1, 1946, excess of assets over liabilities	$8,239.70

School Account Surplus

As of June 30, 1945	$2,270.20
As of Jan 30, 1945	28.80

OPERATING STATEMENT

All Accounts Excepting School Account

Actual Cash Receipts

Cash on hand Feb. 1, 1946		$6,635.98
Delinquent taxes collected	$1,120.49	
1946 taxes collected	15,049.37	
		16,169,86
Received from State Treasurer—		
For Town Highways	$5,652.36	
For winter maintenance	1,521.76	
		7,174.12
Money borrowed		16,000.00

Other receipts as per Treasurer's report		3,107.35
Total Receipts		$49,087.31

Disbursements

Orders drawn by Selectmen for—		
General running expenses	$9,896.54	
Unselected highways	5,706.25	
Winter roads	1,696.75	
Sanding roads	349.11	
New tractor and plow	10,000.00	
To pay on borrowed money	12,000.00	
		$39,648.65
Orders drawn by Overseer		2,203.22
Orders drawn by Road Commissioner		5,361.39
Total orders drawn		$47,213.26
Total disbursements	$47,213.26	
Owing at bank	4,000.00	
	$51,213.26	
Total receipts	49,087.31	
Overdraft for year		$2,125.95

INVENTORY OF TOWN PROPERTY

(Real estate listed as per listers' appraisal)

Real estate—		
Laird farm	$1,000.00	
Garage	1,500.00	
Town forest	50.00	
Town hall	10,000.00	
North Common	200.00	
South Common	200.00	
Town barn	300.00	
		$13,250.00
Office equipment	$200.00	
Town hall equipment	200.00	
Road machine	150.00	
Chains, tools, wrenches, etc.	150.00	
3 Indian pack pumps	25.00	
Tractors and plows	11,000.00	
Ford truck	400.00	

Barco drill and drills	450.00	
		12,575.00
Material and supplies on hand—		
Lumber	$1,170.00	
Fuel oil, lub. oil and grease	185.00	
Wood at town hall and garage	135.00	
Parts for snow plow	30.00	
Posts and wire	35.00	
		1,555.00
Grand total		$27,380.00

School Property

School building in District No. 1	$1,000.00	
School building in District No. 2	4,000.00	
Gymnasium in District No. 2	500.00	
Athletic field	500.00	
School building in District No. 5	1,000.00	
School building in District No. 8	500.00	
School building in District No. 9	1,000.00	
School building in District No. 10	800.00	
		$9,300.00
Equipment, furniture, etc.		500.00
Books and supplies		500.00
Total		$10,300.00
Total value of Town property		$22,380.00
Total value of school property		10,300.00
Total		$32,680.00

PROOF OF AUDIT

Orders Paid By Treasurer Feb. 1 ,1946 to Feb. 1, 1947

General account 1946 orders	$31,896.54	
Unselected highway 1946 orders	5,706.25	
Winter roads 1946 orders	1,696.75	
Winter roads 1945 orders	64.40	
Sanding roads 1946 orders	349.11	
Sanding roads 1945 orders	8.40	
Road Commissioner 1946 orders	5,361.39	
Overseer's 1946 orders	2,203.22	
Overseer's 1945 orders	40.35	
Total orders paid by Treasurer		$47,324.31

Total orders paid by Treasurer	$47,324.31
1945 outstanding orders paid	113.15
1946 orders paid	$47,211.16
1946 order outstanding	2.10
	$47,213.26

Order Outstanding Feb. 1, 1947

General Highway account—	
No. 147 Aug. 5, 1941—Ernest Royce	$2.10

TREASURER'S REPORT

GENERAL TOWN ACCOUNT

Receipts

Cash on hand, Feb. 1, 1946—		
General account	$7,001.62	
Unselected highway account	26.55	
Snow roads account	83.96	
Sanding roads account	382.19	
	$7,494.32	
Less overdraft in Highway Dept.	858.34	
Actual cash on hand		$6,635.98
From C. C. Liese, Collector—		
Delinquent taxes	$1,120.49	
On list of 1946	15,049.37	
		$16,169.86
From State Treasurer—		
Town highways	$5,652.36	
Winter maintenance	1,521.76	
		$7,174.12
For dog licenses		300.55
For liquor license		25.00
For lease land rent		58.50
For Robert's Lighting fund		55.00
For sale of lumber		287.83
For dance license		5.00
For use of tractor, plow and truck		1,542.67
From Vershire and Washington plowing snow		58.50

From E. H. Kennedy, Jr., breaking road to woodlot	7.50
From B. C. Coburn, graveling	73.27
From unselected highway acct. for culverts	293.83
For hall rent	391.00
From Glenn Kennedy, refund	3.00
Dynamite and caps sold	5.70
Money borrowed	16,000.00
Total receipts	$49,087.31

Disbursements

Paid Selectmen's orders—		
General account	$31,038.20	
Unselected highway account	5,706.25	
Snow roads account	1,761.15	
Sanding roads account	357.51	
		$38,863.11
Paid Road Commissioner's orders		6,217.63
Paid Overseer's orders		2,243.57
Total disbursements		$47,324.31
Cash on hand		1,763.00
		$49,087.31

JOHN M. COMSTOCK,
Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN FOR THE YEAR ENDING JAN. 31, 1947

Calling your attention to the cash balance of $7,439.83 on hand and delinquent taxes of $1,679.37 at the beginning of the year and the cash balance of $1,763.00 and delinquent taxes of $1,960.19, and the $4,000.00 note owing at the bank. Every one knows we finally got the new tractor and snow plow and on this machinery we have paid $10,000 leaving a balance of $331.96 which covers some parts, etc., that have not come in yet, the bulldozer will be in this Spring, the price approximately $1,100.00. Your board of selectmen have until now been able to operate under a low

town tax rate and pay our obligations. Now with the higher wages paid, the balance on this machinery to be paid, extra expense in bridge repairs a possibility, and extra appropriations, we feel that a town tax of $1.25 will be the lowest we can possibly operate under this year.

Suggested Budget For 1947

Town hall	$575.00
Town officers	900.00
Cutting bushes	200.00
Miscellaneous	1,500.00
Insurance	175.00
Streets	425.00
Commons	100.00
Tractors	1,000.00
Interest	75.00
Laird Farm	~~100.00~~
Taxes assessed	2,200.00
Truck	500.00
Snow plows	600.00
Bridges	400.00
Appropriations	500.00
Welfare department	1,600.00
Road machine	75.00
Jack hammer	125.00
	$11,050.00

D. H. GILMAN,
O. E. BURGESS,
A. J. EDWARDS,
Selectmen.

SELECTMEN'S ACCOUNT

Summary of Orders To Feb. 1, 1947

Town Officers	$892.00
Laird Farm	75.23
Town hall and Clerk's office	573.30
Miscellaneous	1,528.79
Streets	427.60
Commons	83.30
Tractors	7,296.33
Insurance	134.95

Hemlock lumber	718.22
Bridge repairs	83.15
Taxes assessed	2,218.64
Appropriations	350.00
Truck, parts	591.18
Road machine	77.97
Barco drill	130.77
Snow plows	4,544.82
Money borrowed	12,000.00
Interest	53.34
Collector of Internal Revenue	3.80
Ballots and elections	106.05
	$31,889.44
Service charge at bank— charged but no orders drawn	7.10
	$31,896.54

Town Officers

O. Fay Allen, Jr., auditor	$6.00
R. G. Corwin, auditor	1.50
O. Fay Allen, Sr., auditor	18.00
C. H. Baraw, lister	50.00
George Bradshaw, lister	50.00
P. J. Heath, lister and postage	55.69
J. M. Comstock, lister and making tax bills	54.40
D. H. Gilman, selectman	15.00
O. E. Burgess, chairman selectmen	75.00
A. M. J. Edwards, selectmen	15.00
C. F. Button, overseer of poor	50.00
O. F. Allen, Sr., health officer and expense	23.46
C. C. Liese, collector of taxes	282.44
O. F. Allen, town agent and legal services	50.00
J. M. Comstock, town clerk, treasurer and postage	145.51
	$892.00

Laird Farm

State of Vermont, 7,000 pine trees	$45.00
Guy Laird, express on trees	1.58
Richard Kennedy, planting trees	3.20
Clyde Lyon, planting trees	3.20

Ernest Royce, planting trees	10.20
O. E. Burgess, planting trees and use of truck	12.05
	$75.23

Town Hall and Clerk's Office

Central Vt. Public Service Corp., lighting	$53.04
F. E. Hood, janitor service	290.32
W. S. Gilman,cutting, hauling and sawing wood	165.00
F. Ray and Ellen L. Keyser, water rent	12.00
O. E. Burgess, labor and cash paid for supplies	16.65
A. M. Flanders, thawing water pipes	11.25
Allen & Underhill, lamps and signs	2.89
Robbins & Robbins, merchandise	2.65
C. C. Liese, wood to apply on C. B. Fletcher's taxes	11.25
J. M. Comstock, wood from Laird Farm	8.25
	$573.30

Bridges

D. H. Gilman, labor and cash for supplies	$16.55
Ernest Royce, labor	4.20
W. S. Gilman, labor	9.10
Harry Jones, labor	1.75
Robert Blake, labor	1.75
O. E. Burgess, labor, truck, and cash paid for supplies	34.80
J. M. Comstock, use of truck	5.00
Guy Moxley, stringers	10.00
	$83.15

Hemlock Lumber

H. G. Lyford, skidding and hauling logs at mill	$110.60
Jack Kennedy, trucking logs	64.05
O. E. Burgess, labor	45.50
C. C. Liese, sawing and stacking	498.07
	$718.22

Appropriations

W. A. Reed, Memorial Day	$50.00

J. M. Comstock, Chelsea Public Library	200.00
E. B. Hatch, use of fire truck outside of fire district	100.00
	$350.00

Road Machine

Kennedy's Garage, welding	$1.50
Dessureau's Repair and Machine Shop, repairs	27.45
Vermont Road Equipment Co., parts	32.95
Lee Roberts, labor and cash for repairs	5.75
Casellini-Venable Corp., blades	9.92
O. E. Burgess, express	.40
	$77.97

Commons

O. E. Burgess, cleaning, mowing, raking and use of truck	$83.30

Barco Hammer and Drills

Trow & Holden, sharpening drills	$61.07
Betts & McCullough, charging batteries and points	4.00
Casellini-Venable Corp., parts and drills	55.39
E. H. Colby, gas and oil	6.81
Kennedy's Garage, labor	3.50
	$130.77

Streets

Central Vt. Public Service Corp., lighting	$375.00
Ralph Lyon, plowing and repairs on plow	48.00
Allen & Underhill, bridge lamp	4.60
	$427.60

Snow Plows

Casellini-Venable Corp., parts and supplies and plow	$4,064.33
E. G. LaFrancis, labor	32.40
G. D. Lyford, labor	39.20
O. E. Burgess, labor and cash paid for	

supplies	41.81
Kennedy's Garage, labor and supplies	25.46
Dwight McCullough, welding and batteries	26.65
A. M. Flanders, Inc., welding grousers	50.80
Richard Kennedy, labor	7.20
Ernest Royce, labor	15.20
Jack Kennedy, labor	16.50
Reynolds & Sons, Inc., supplies	9.25
Dessureau's Mach. & Repair Shop, shaft for hoist	11.85
Durkee's Garage, welding grousers	141.10
Guy Ladd, express on grousers	1.50
A. F. Sanborn, supplies and labor	4.25
Lee Roberts, labor and supplies	22.90
Wilson Service Center, heater	27.26
Standard Auto Stores, driving light	4.95
H. F. Gates, freight on shoes and oil	2.21
	$4,544.82

Truck

Kennedy's Garage, parts and labor	$260.80
E. H. Colby, Zerex	3.30
H. F. Gates, gas and oil	241.99
O. E. Burgess, cash paid for supplies	7.62
Motor Vehicle Dept., registration	10.00
Lee Roberts, supplies and labor	5.00
McCullough's Garage, labor	44.40
H. N. Sanborn & Sons, supplies	18.07
	$591.18

Tractors (Parts and Supplies)

H. F. Gates, gas, oil, and fuel oil	$122.90
O. E. Burgess, cash for supplies	5.00
Kennedy's Garage, repairs	11.10
Casellini-Venuable Corp., parts and tractor	6,914.58
F. A. Slayton, fuel oil	43.33
McCullough & Betts, charging batteries and repairs	5.75
Dessureau's Machine & Repair Shop, repairs	.50
North Eastern Petroleum Co., 1 barrel oil	56.60
South End Garage, repair of generator	3.25
Standard Auto Stores, 1 fan	8.95

E. H. Colby, anti-freeze	18.55
Lee Roberts, cash paid for supplies	2.47
	$7,192.98

Tractor Labor

Merle Colby	$ .75
Lee Roberts	26.80
Ernest Royce	4.20
Harry O'Donnell	4.20
J. G. Philbrick	1.40
George Gates, hauling tractor to Barre	20.00
Kenneth Colby, hauling tractor from Barre	20.00
Kennedy's Garage, welding	26.00
	$103.35

Taxes Assessed

H. N. Mattison, 2c county tax	$126.28
C. C. Liese, fire tax	1.98
C. C. Liese, property tax	128.56
Levi R. Kelley, state highway system	746.03
Marion Button, Treasurer, Orange County Farm Bureau	156.04
Levi R. Kelley, Old Age Assistance tax	1,059.75
	$2,218.64

Insurance

Allen & Underhill	$51.20
Farm Bureau Mutual Automobile Ins. Co.	38.15
E. H. Peet, agent	4.00
F. R. Keyser, agent	41.60
	$134.95

Interest

Orange Co. Branch of National White River Bank in Bethel	$53.34

Money Borrowed

Orange Co. Branch of National White River Bank in Bethel	$12,000.00

Withholding Tax

Collector of Internal Revenue	$3.80

Miscellaneous

Wheeler and Clark, dog tags	$6.57
Montgomery Ward, wrenches	12.25
Standard Auto Co., wrenches	31.90
Chelsea Job Press, printing town reports, etc.	115.75
Mrs. Alice Walker, ministerial money (West Hill Church)	19.50
Robert Blake, labor on wood	11.35
Berger Metal Culvert Co.	293.83
A. C. Coburn, labor	2.10
Harold Sault, tuning piano at Town hall	8.00
Glenn Sanborn, fire warden for forest fires	168.85
H. D. Flanders, ministerial money for Congregational and Methodist Churches	39.00
John Bellefeuille, repairing bridge lights	4.77
Wilson & Keyser, legal services relative to Tunbridge dam, etc.	84.83
Lawrence and Howard Allen, mowing and raking Allen and Lincoln cemeteries	6.00
C. C. Liese, Collector, taxes abated	233.17
Max Hayward, installing class A entrance to garage	35.27
The Tuttle Stationery Co., supplies for town clerk	3.50
South End Garage, sharpening lawn mowers	4.00
Casellini-Venable Corp., tools	23.82
A. M. Flanders, Inc., welding chains	6.15
Allen & Underhill, merchandise	27.96
Central Vt. Public Service Corp., lighting garage	12.00
New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co., local service and tolls	42.25
R. J. Croft, merchandise	4.90
E. H. Colby, gas, oil, labor and tools	165.47
O. E. Burgess, labor, supplies and express	76.25
J. M. Comstock, postage, etc.	5.91
Ernest Royce, labor	4.80
H. N. Sanborn & Son, supplies	5.00
D. H. Gilman, labor on wood	6.10
Lee Roberts, labor and supplies	7.20
Dwight McCullough, labor and supplies	15.90
Robbins & Robbins, merchandise	3.08
Richard Kennedy, labor	6.30
A. F. Sanborn, merchandise	10.06

W. G. Gilman, wood for garage and sawing	25.00
	$1,528.79

Ballots and Elections

The Chelsea Job Press, printing	$36.05
Ralph Coburn, ballot clerk at primary	4.00
Ray Tucker, Jr., ballot clerk at primary	4.00
George Mathers, ballot clerk at primary and general election	8.00
Charles Bacon, ballot clerk at primary and general election	8.00
Alma Travers, assisting clerk at primary and general election	8.00
Jennie Slack, assisting clerk at primary and general election	8.00
Winston Rogers, ballot clerk at general election	4.00
Wallace Braman, ballot clerk at general election	4.00
J. M. Comstock, clerk at primary and general election	8.00
O. E. Burgess, presiding officer at primary	4.00
C. C. Liese, presiding officer at general election	4.00
C. C. Liese, installing and taking down booths at the primary and general elections	6.00
	$106.05

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Our Town highway system comprises 92.90 miles of roads, divided as follows: 4.60 miles "state aid" highway, 10.75 miles of "state" highway and 77.55 miles of "town" highway. The state highway is the highway from the Tunbridge town line to the Washington town line and from the junction near the Bank block to the Vershire line. The state aid highways are the road from George Densmore's to the Brookfield line above Irving Hood's and from the junction near James Kennedy's to the Arthur Bacon place. The balance are town highways.

GENERAL HIGHWAY ACCOUNT

Lionel Roberts, Road Commissioner
What We Had To Spend

Town tax of $1	$6,236.91
Less 1944 and 1945 overdrafts	858.34
Money available	$5,378.57
Total orders drawn	5,361.39
Balance unexpended	$17.18

Orders Drawn

Alton Felch, labor, with team	$81.90
F. Waldo Taylor, labor, with team	15.40
Harry O'Donnell, labor, self and with team	271.95
Jack Densmore, labor, with team	28.70
Walter Druge, lumber and labor with team	119.10
Ernest Luce, labor, self and with team	42.70
O. E. Burgess, for use of truck	31.90
James Howard, labor with truck	36.00
Kenneth O'Donnell, labor, with team	34.30
Glen Button, labor, with team	8.40
Orville Ladd, labor, with team	16.80
Edward Paul, labor, with team	6.30
Frank Gates, labor, with team	23.45
Richard Croft, hardware	13.20
Allen & Underhill, bond and order books	6.60
Dwight McCullough, road machine repairs	4.41
Trow & Holden Co., resharpening drills	3.72
Vt. Explosives Co., Inc., dynamite and caps	51.25
Button's General Store, hand rakes and spikes	2.95
Lionel Roberts, cash paid for postage, lumber and transporting drills	4.00
Mrs. Elizabeth Sutton, toll on gravel	3.22
Stanley Wilson, gravel	64.40
Town Treasurer of Chelsea, use of truck	427.50
Town Treasurer of Chelsea, use of tractor	480.99
Richard Kennedy, labor	130.70
Ernest Royce, labor	731.70
Lionel Roberts, labor	842.30
Clarence Hook, labor	44.10
Elwin Kendall, labor	1.40
Donald Ramsey, labor	31.15

Gerald Slack, labor		3.15
Mark Dunbar, labor		33.60
J. Gordon Philbrick, labor		311.85
Leon W. Grant, labor		157.80
Arthur Grant, labor		85.50
Cecil Densmore, labor		13.65
Warren Hook, labor		116.40
Harry Jones, labor		110.45
John Gardner, labor		73.05
Thomas Hill, labor		3.50
Wendell Hill, labor with truck		5.40
Herbert Lyford, labor, honing		79.10
Nelson Dukette, labor, with team		127.40
Athol Coburn, labor, self and with team		61.60
Archie Dupras, labor, with team		89.60
Everett LaFrancis, labor, self and with tractor		31.20
Clayton Woodworth, labor, with team		33.60
Dudley Nichols, labor, self and with team		44.10
Walter Grant, labor, self and with team		338.45
Guy Bowen, labor, with team		4.20
George C. Lyford, labor, with team		4.20
Collector of Internal Revenue,		
Withholding tax—		
Richard Kennedy	$ .90	
Lionel Roberts	25.50	
Harry O'Donnell	8.40	
Leon W. Grant	13.70	
Warren Hook	12.40	
J. Gordon Philbrick	2.10	
Arthur Grant	4.10	
John Gardner	.80	
Harry Jones	5.40	
Collector of Internal Revenue, taxes		73.10
Total		$5,361.39
Order outstanding—		
No. 147—Aug. 5, 1946, Ernest Royce		$2.10

UNSELECTED HIGHWAYS

Orders Drawn By O. E. Burgess, Foreman

Amount on hand Feb. 2, 1946	$26.55
Received from O. E. Burgess for posts	3.00

Received from the sale of dynamite and caps	5.70
Received from B. C. Coburn for gravel and labor	73.27
Received from State of Vt.	5,652.36
	$5,760.88
Orders drawn	5,706.25
Amount on hand Feb. 1, 1947	54.63

Orders

John Hayward	$78.15
Harry Jones	261.15
O. E. Burgess, labor, truck, and cash for supplies	935.15
Ernest Royce, labor	606.20
John Gardner, labor	115.20
Gordon Philbrick, labor	86.80
Alfred Boardman, labor	249.80
Robert Blake, labor	145.50
Lee Roberts, labor	144.40
Ernest Austin, labor	136.30
Walter Grant, labor	44.10
Leon Grant, Jr., labor	47.95
Winston Rogers, labor	84.20
Robert Cahill, labor	56.10
Malcolm Durkee, labor	35.60
Edward Sherlock, labor	19.40
Orlando Braman, labor	18.40
Harry O'Donnell, labor	5.00
Wesley Downing, labor	27.00
Elwin Kendall, labor	16.10
W. S. Gilman, labor	3.60
Fred Cahill, labor	2.40
F. R. Thorne, labor	3.27
E. G. Thorne, labor	4.90
G. H. Hayward, labor and truck	324.60
Mike Kennedy, labor and truck	193.40
William Smith, labor and truck	23.40
Hayden Clark, labor and truck	44.20
Albert Lyman, labor and truck	24.70
Elmer Woodworth, labor and team	26.20
Glenn Button, man and team, 204 yds. of fill	27.80
Dexter Carbonneau, man and shovel	117.50
Vt. Explosives Co., Inc., dynamite and caps	185.00

Eaton and Co., dynamite and caps	31.50
J. M. Comstock, culverts	293.83
Green Mountain Concrete Pipe Co., culvert	127.01
Vermont Concrete Pipe Co., culverts	282.24
J. M. Comstock, use of tractor, grader, truck and drill	592.48
S. C. Wilson, 1,075 yds. gravel	107.50
G. F. Moxley, 404 yds. gravel	40.40
Mrs. Harley Sutton, 1c toll on 642 loads of gravel	6.42
Jack Kennedy, self, man, tractor and Fresno grader	32.90
Collector of Internal Revenue (withholding tax)	96.50
	$5,706.25

SNOW ROADS

Amount on hand Feb. 1, 1946	$19.56
Received from State (state aid roads)	97.76
Received from State (unselected roads)	1,424.00
Received from Town of Washington	16.25
Received from Town of Vershire	42.25
	$1,599.82
Total orders drawn	1,696.75
Overdraft	$96.93

Orders Drawn By Selectmen

G. D. Lyford, labor	$244.20
E. G. LaFrancis, labor	126.80
Richard Kennedy, labor	64.75
Merle Colby, labor	74.00
H. G. Lyford, labor	35.60
Alfred Boardman, labor	113.60
Lee Roberts, labor	3.60
Kenneth O'Donnell, labor	10.50
Guy Moxley, labor	7.00
Walter Lyon, labor	11.55
Ernest Royce, labor	188.60
Russel Corwin, labor	3.50
Gerald Slack, labor	14.40
F. R. Thorne, labor	5.60
Joseph Edwards, labor	12.00
Winston Rogers, labor	7.20

John Liese, labor	6.40
Harry Slack, man and team	5.00
E. G. Thorne, man and team	11.20
Athol Coburn, man and team	15.50
Earl Russel, man and team	31.05
Carroll Jackson, man and team	8.75
J. M. Comstock, use of truck	6.00
Kenneth Colby, labor and truck	125.00
Jack Kennedy, labor, man and tractor	393.00
O. E. Burgess, labor and truck	134.75
Ernest Austin, labor and tractor	37.20
Total	$1,696.75

SANDING ROADS

Amount on hand Feb. 1, 1946	$373.79
Orders drawn	349.11
Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1947	$24.68

Orders Drawn By Selectmen

E. G. LaFrancis, labor	9.60
Robert Blake, labor	2.10
G. D. Lyford, labor	30.40
H. G. Lyford, labor	1.75
Ernest Royce, labor	17.20
Alfred Boardman, labor	20.00
Ernest Austin, labor	16.40
Winston Rogers, labor	14.00
J. M. Comstock, use of truck hauling salt and sand	30.70
G. H. Hayward, self and truck	24.70
O. E. Burgess, self and truck	41.20
International Salt Co., 4 tons salt	41.60
S. C. Wilson, 92 yds. sand	9.20
Mrs. Harley Sutton, 1c toll, 41 loads sand	.41
Mike Kennedy, self and truck	67.60
Leo Doyle, 17½ hrs. man and 7½ hrs. truck	22.25
Total	$349.11

REPORT OF FIRE WARDEN

For Year Ending Dec. 31, 1946

May 14, 1946—Fire at Arthur Whitcomb's	$43.90
July 19, 1946—Fire at Athol Coburn's	124.95
Total	$168.85

Number of permits issued 8.

Attended 1 fire warden meeting in Montpelier.

The town's fire fighting equipment remains the same as last year. We should have more.

At this time I wish to thank all for their fine co-operation and help in fighting these fires.

Be sure and obtain your permits before burning brush, grass, etc.

Respectfully submitted,
GLENN SANBORN,
Fire Warden.

WELFARE DEPARTMENT

Orders Drawn By Charles F. Button, Overseer, For Aid Or Support of the Following:

Vermont State Dept. of Public Welfare		$801.49
For Mrs. Evelyn Austin and family, doctor services		12.50
For Orange Taylor and family—		
Wood	$57.50	
Groceries	146.49	
		203.99
For Edward Paul and family—		
Hospital care	$102.07	
Groceries	377.69	
Milk	26.60	
Moving goods home	50.00	
Roofing and labor on house	20.70	
		571.06
For Mark Dunbar, groceries and clothing		276.13
For Bert Ashley—		
Doctor services	$10.00	
Hospital care	157.00	
		167.00
For Mrs. Clyde Beede, hospital care		42.00

For David Blakeney family, groceries	113.58
For Glenn Kennedy—	
(This was refunded by him)	3.00
C. F. Button for care of tramp	11.00
C. F. Button for postage	.72
Chelsea Job Press, order book	.75
Total orders drawn	$2,203.22
Less refund	3.00
	$2,200.22

CHARLES F. BUTTON, Overseer.

Actual Cost of Welfare to Town

Overseer's orders drawn less refund	$2,200.22
Overseer's salary (paid by Selectmen)	50.00
State of Vt., Old Age Assistance tax (paid by Selectmen)	1,059.75
	$3,309.97

Recipients of Old Age Assistance received from the State	$7,618.50
The Roberts Poor Fund Board distributed	$673.96

ROBERTS' POOR FUND

Disbursements have been made from the Roberts Poor Fund for the benefit of 10 persons or families within the year to the amount of	$613.96
For flour for members of the board	60.00
	$673.96

One order for $15.00 is outstanding.

TREASURER'S REPORT

In Account With Roberts Poor Fund Board

Receipts

Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1946	$821.49
Received from Old Colony Trust Co., income of fund	400.00

Received interest on savings account	3.63
	$1,225.12

Disbursements

Paid 23 orders drawn by board	$658.96
Balance on hand Jan. 31, 1947	$566.16

This balance is made up as follows:

Checking account in National White River Bank, Orange County Branch	$101.32
Savings account in same	464.84
	$566.16

JOHN M. COMSTOCK,
Treasurer.

REPORT OF HEALTH OFFICER

To whom it may concern:

This town has been very free of communicable diseases during the past 12 months. One case of measles was reported in December and this was followed by 20 more during the month of January.

Thirty-two cases of communicable disease have been reported during the past 12 months. They were divided as follows: 21 cases of measles, 3 cases of mumps, 5 cases of chickenpox and 3 cases of scarlet fever. These have been reported to the state board.

Samples of water have been taken from time to time from the various systems in town and at present all are reported to be safe to drink.

I appreciate the co-operation of the townspeople in reporting the several cases.

Respectfully submitted,

O. FAY ALLEN,
Local Health Officer.

VERMONT OLD AGE ASSISTANCE DEPARTMENT
120 STATE STREET
MONTPELIER, VERMONT

For the information of your taxpayers the customary annual statement is presented for your town report.

Payments of Old Age Assistance to persons applying from your town amounted to $7,618.50 during the year January 1, 1946 to December 31, 1946.

The number of recipients in December, 1946, was 24. Monthly payment $688.00.

The maximum payment which can be made by this department is $40.00 per month. In October, 1946, we were able to make payments above $30.00 for the first time. This was due to an appropriation of $50,000 by the special session of the legislature and a temporary change in the basis of federal matching. Congress authorized the Social Security Administration until December 31, 1947, to reimburse the States $10.00 for the first $15.00 paid. For the balance of the payment the old fifty-fifty matching basis is still in effect.

Many increases were made to meet cost of living budgets. Grants are practically up to date on current investigated applications. Intake has increased and is now on a prewar basis of about 100 applications per month.

Average grant, December, 1945—$23.38
Average grant, December, 1946— 29.14

This department has always received a high degree of cooperation from local officials and interested individuals. On behalf of the agency I extend thanks.

Very sincerely yours,
W. L. SEWARD, Director.

REPORT OF CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

The following new funds for care of lots have been received during the year:

Dr. Reginald L. Hill	$100.00
Ray H. Dearborn	100.00
Hathaway family	100.00
Sarah Davis' estate	126.70
George F. Gates	100.00

Received For Care of Lots

The following sums were paid by individuals in 1946:

$3 each—C. W. Bacon, Clifford M. Beckwith, Mrs. Mildred Benway, Gerald A. Bixby, Guy W. Bowin, Fred O. Braman, H. H. Campbell, A. M. Clough, Mrs. Maud M. Cozzens, Guy F. Densmore, H. L. Dodge, Mrs. Edith Dumont, C. W. Eastman, Mrs. Lena B. Eastman, H. F. Gates, Mrs. Florence Geoffrion, T. N. Hill, F. E. Hood, H. B. Jones, F. M. Kendall, G. E. Kennedy, Mrs. Emma Lathrop, N. T. McFarlane, G. F. More, Katherine M. Puffer, C. E. Rigg, M. L. Sleeper, E. F. Spear, G. H. Titus, S. C. Wilson, H. G. Woodruff—31	$93.00
$9 each—K. W. Waterson—1	9.00
$6 each—Henry Clarke, Mrs. Alice L. George, Mrs. G. H. Helmer—3	18.00
$4.50 each—O. E. Burgess—1	4.50
$2 each—H. E. Corwin, A. E. McCullough, Mrs. Nellie Pepper—3	6.00
$1.50 each—Mrs. Leroy Armington, Mrs. L. H. Bacon, C. H. Baraw, Mrs. Marion Betts, Mrs. Stella Blake, L. W. Bugbee, Mrs. Carrie Dexter, Helen G. Dow, Frank Dudash, Rosa B. Dunbar, F. E. Dwinell, J. H. Flanders, C. L. Greene, H. H. Hodgdon, F. R. Keyser, Merton A. Little, Myron A. Little, P. H. MacKeil, Mrs. Inez Morey, H. J. Orr, Esther E. Smith, Mrs. Gertrude B. Sprague, A. E. Stearns, Mrs. C. D. Stearns, Mrs. F. D. Tucker, Mrs. Alice B. Walker, Mrs. Arthur Welch—28	42.00
	$172.50

Orders Drawn By Chairman

J. B. Hill	$242.40
W. A. Reed	116.02
P. J. Heath	15.00
J. M. Comstock	20.00
Chelsea Job Press	3.25

National White River Bank	200.00
	$596.67

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1946	$236.81
Received from interest on U. S. bonds	305.38
Received from individuals for care of lots	172.50
Received from interest on funds in savings accounts	50.97
Received from interest on sundry funds	7.50
Received from Roberts Cemetery Fund	10.00
Received from sale of lots	45.00
	$828.16

Disbursements

Paid 19 orders	$596.67
Paid on principal of loan without order	50.00
Paid interest on loan	8.50
	$655.17
Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1947	$172.99

There is due from Mrs. Harrison Tuller $30.00 for sale of a lot. A note now standing at $200 is due to the National White River Bank.

CEMETERY FUNDS

The Town Report of Jan. 31, 1945, carried a complete report of the various funds which amounted to	$16,287.37
Funds added as of Jan. 1946 report	800.00
Funds added as of Jan. 1947 report	526.70
Total cemetery funds	$17,614.07

These funds are invested as follows:

U. S. Government Bonds	$12,400.00
5 shares Pref. B. stock, Granite Savings Bank & Trust Co.	100.00
Savings accounts (local bank)	5,114.07
	$17,614.07

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC MONEY FOR THE WEST HILL CEMETERY

Account in bank Feb. 1, 1946		$160.62
Interest on bank account		1.56
Interest on Government Bonds		17.50
Interest on separately held accounts (2 years)		13.49
Received of Mrs. S. C. Wilson, care of E. M. Bacon lot		2.00
Received of Mrs. A. G. Bradshaw, care of Bradshaw lot		2.00
Received of Mrs. Clarence Hook for lots No. 47 and 48		20.00
Received of F. Neal Dodge for lot No. 30		10.00
Received of Edith Barnes estate for care of Elijah Barnes' lot		100.00
		$327.17
Paid bank for Government Bond for Elijah Barnes' lot	$100.00	
Paid Erland LaFrancis, care of lots	$25.00	
		$125.00
Balance on bank account Feb. 1, 1947		$202.17
Due from Joseph Horton for lot bought in 1936		$5.00

HARRY L. HAYWARD,
For Trustees.

REPORT OF CHELSEA PUBLIC LIBRARY AND ALDEN SPEAR MEMORIAL BUILDING

Report of Librarian

During 1946, 60 books were added to the library, of which 18 were gifts, including 9 from the Book Club. Of these 45 are adult and juvenile fiction and 15 adult non-fiction. The circulation for the year was 5,953, an improvement over the year before of about 500.

Receipts

On hand Feb. 1, 1946	$17.09
From fines	23.04
From rentals	7.00

From discarded books	.25
	$47.38

Expenditures

For supplies and postage	$9.52
Rentals (paid to treasurer)	7.00
For sundries	7.00
For box rent	1.80
	$25.32
Leaving balance in librarian's hands	$22.06

Three steel magazine racks have been installed near the reading table which keep the magazines in better condition with the use of only about half the space previously occupied. Varnish and wax was purchased over a year ago to refinish the floors of the library, but the Trustees have not yet been successful in engaging anyone to scrub the floors and apply the finish.

O. FAY ALLEN, JR.,
Chairman.

Report of Treasurer

Receipts

Balance on hand at beginning of year	$24.41	
Appropriation of town	200.00	
Income of Roberts Fund	130.00	
Income of Stow Fund	28.00	
Income of Braley Fund	5.00	
Rentals (from librarian)	7.00	
Drawn from bank deposit	85.00	
		$479.41

Expenditures

Librarian and assistants	$190.63	
Books	130.46	
Periodicals	47.25	
Janitor	26.25	
Wood	47.00	
Andirons for fireplace	15.81	
Magazine racks	10.49	
Sundries	2.71	
		$470.60

Leaving balance in Treasurer's hands	$8.81

M. S. BICKNELL,
J. M. COMSTOCK,
MARY A. GRIFFIN,
NELLIE S. HOOD,
O. FAY ALLEN, JR., Trustees.

TREASURER'S REPORT OF H. E. ROBERTS' CEMETERY FUND

Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1946	$571.72
Interest received	5.73
	$577.45
Paid for care of lots in 1946	10.00
Balance on hand Jan. 31, 1947	$567.45

TREASURER'S REPORT OF HIGHLAND AVENUE CEMETERY FUND

Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1946	$ .24
Interest received	8.06
	$8.30
Paid order of committee	5.30
Balance in Treasurer's hands	$3.00

The principal of this fund is now $803.36, deposited in a savings account in the National White River Bank, Orange County Branch.

TREASURER'S REPORT OF ADA JACKSON FUND FOR CARE OF TREES ON HIGHLAND AVENUE

Nothing was expended from the fund during the past year. It is deposited as a savings account in the National White River Bank, Orange County Branch. The amount now stands at $518.09.

TAXES ABATED

American Legion—1944, '45, '46	$141.00
Rudolph Dukett—1945, '46	13.00
Mary Goss—1941	6.30
J. Burton and Ella N. Hill—1938, '39, '40, '41, '42	54.74
Albert J. Trombley, 1945	5.63
Ray Tucker, 1943, '44	12.50
	$233.17

REPORT OF DOGS LICENSED BY TOWN CLERK

101 dogs at $2 each	$202.00
17 dogs at $6 each	102.00
5 dogs at $3 each	15.00
	$319.00
Less fees at 15 cents each	18.45
Amount paid to town treasurer	$300.55

LEASE LAND

Received For Parsonage Right

S. C. Wilson	$19.92
W. A. Reed	10.00
W. L. Root	12.04
E. W. Sprague	14.68
Mrs. C. B. Fletcher	1.86
	$58.50

Division of Parsonage Right Rentals

United Church	$39.00
West Hill Church	19.50

Received For School Right

H. W. Armstrong	$11.00
P. J. Heath	4.75
W. E. Burbank	4.50
Flint Bros. Lumber Co.	6.25
V. R. Longley	1.50
Richard Kennedy	3.00
E. H. Colby	.75
H. C. Colby	.50
	$32.25

All lease land rents paid to date.

REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR

C. C. Liese, Collector

	Uncollected Feb. 1, 1946	Collected	Uncollected Feb. 1, 1947
1936 polls	9.88		9.88
1937 property	6.54	6.54	
1938 polls	11.96	11.96	
1939 property	12.47		12.47
1939 polls	25.05	25.05	
1940 property	48.12	8.31	39.81
1940 polls	12.20	12.20	
1941 property	24.71		24.71
1941 polls	25.20	18.90	6.30
1942 property	91.65	78.79	12.86
1942 polls	18.90	6.30	12.60
1943 property	76.92	38.86	38.06
1943 polls	37.50	25.00	12.50
1944 property	349.92	204.76	145.16
1944 polls	45.37	18.75	26.62
1945 property	739.23	552.57	186.66
1945 polls	143.75	112.50	31.25
1946 property	24,518.11	23,312.55	1,205.56
1946 polls	3,159.00	2,963.25	195.75
Totals	$29,356.48	$27,396.29	$1,960.19

Delinquent Taxes, Feb. 1, 1947

Ashley, Cora A.— 1946 poll		6.75
Austin, Irene M. & Ernest G. Austin—		
1944 property	$34.38	
1946 poll (Ernest)	6.75	
1946 property	42.50	
1946 property	54.83	
		138.46
Berry, Harold E.—1940 property		15.20
Berard, Eugene—		
1944 poll	6.25	
1944 property	13.02	
		19.27
Blakeney, Madeline A.—1946 property		6.37
Braman, Orlando J.—1946 poll		6.75
Braman, Wallace —1946 poll		6.75
Clark, Cleveland—1946 property		17.00
Croft, Richard J.—1946 property		123.89
Davis, Allie H. Estate —		
1944 property	11.25	
1945 property	14.07	
1945 poll	6.25	
1946 property	4.25	
		35.82
Dickerman, Harold E.—		
1945 poll	6.25	
1946 poll	6.75	
		13.00
Dickerman, George —		
1939 property	5.79	
1940 property	16.21	
1941 property	17.11	
1944 property	16.88	
1945 property	12.19	
1946 property	13.81	
		81.99
Downing, Edgar R. & Lillian—2 1946 polls		13.50
Downing, Byron & Lillian—		
2 1936 polls	9.88	
2 1942 polls	12.60	
		22.48

Fletcher, Chas. B., estate—		
1945 property	1.32	
1946 property	11.69	
		13.01
Gardner, John R. —1946 property		1.28
Hayward, John & Edith C. —2 1946 polls		13.50
Hood, Julian C. & Gail Helmer—1946 property		225.25
Hill, Lloyd & Alice M. —2 1946 polls		13.50
Holmes, Hazel D.—		
1944 poll	6.25	
1945 poll	6.25	
1946 poll	6.75	
		19.25
Janicki, Ben L.—1946 property		8.50
Kezer, Eva—1946 property		2.13
Kennedy, Raymond & Angelia—		
1944 property	19.13	
1944 poll	1.62	
		20.75
Kuchensky, Peter—1946 property		23.38
LaBell, Fonnie— 1946 poll		6.75
LaFrancis, Everett & Bernice—		
2 1946 polls	13.50	
1946 property	21.25	
		34.75
Little, Emma W., estate & E. B. Hatch—		
1946 property		54.00
Luce, Ernest E. & Lizzie L.—		
2 1946 polls	13.50	
1946 property	78.63	
1946 property	17.00	
		109.13
Lyon, Ralph O.—		
1942 property	12.86	
1943 property	15.75	
1944 property	15.75	
1946 property	17.85	
1946 poll	6.75	
		68.96
Melendy, James M. & Effie—2 1946 polls		13.50
Melvin, Winona—		
1945 property	8.32	

1946 property	92.86	
		101.18
O'Donnell, Arthur & Marjorie—		
1944 poll	6.25	
1945 poll	6.25	
2 1946 polls	13.50	
		26.00
O'Donnell, Kenneth A.—		
1943 property	7.31	
1944 property	26.25	
1945 property	26.25	
1946 property	29.75	
1946 poll	6.75	
		96.31
O'Donnell, Harry —		
1940 property	1.20	
1941 poll	6.30	
1946 poll	6.75	
		14.25
Paul, Myrtie M.—1943 property		15.00
Paul, Myrtie M. & Edward G. & Winifred—		
1944 property	8.50	
1945 property	15.00	
1946 property	17.00	
		40.50
Perkins, Mark C.—1946 property		34.00
Perry, Gordon—1946 poll		6.75
Pratt, Elmer D.—1946 property		68.00
Rathburn, Mary J., heirs —		
1939 property	6.68	
1940 property	7.20	
1941 property	7.60	
		21.48
Sanborn, Clyde G.—		
1946 poll	6.75	
1946 property	59.50	
		66.25
Scott, Francis J. & Barbara—		
2 1943 polls	12.50	
1944 poll	6.25	
1945 poll	6.25	
		25.00

Shaw, Robert M. —1946 property		30.60
Slack, Gerald L.—		
1945 property	2.63	
1946 poll	6.75	
		9.33
Thomas, Leonard O.—		
1945 property	8.44	
1946 property	9.56	
		18.00
Whipple, Winifred S. & Mabel S.—		
1945 property	98.44	
2 1946 polls	13.50	
1946 property	140.68	
		252.62

SCHOOL DIRECTORS' REPORT

For School Year, July 1, 1945 to June 30, 1946

Receipts

Balance on hand July 1, 1945	$2,270.20
Received from State Treasurer	198.89
Rebate on insurance	.54
Received from State Treasurer	7,518.47
Lease land rentals	32.25
Income from Roberts Fund	985.00
School tax	11,364.91
Tuition	1,469.00
Rent of Grammar school lands	60.51
Total	$23,899.77

Orders outstanding July 1, 1945 which were lost and on which payment was stopped during the fiscal year—

No.		
45	George Bradshaw	$3.00
846	McAuliffe Co.	13.58
831	McAuliffe Co.	16.89
67	Allen & Underhill	2.85
73	World Book Co.	4.85
74	MacMillan Co.	1.99
175	West Dis. Co.	6.50

198 J. L. Hammett Co.	171.35	
	$221.01	
Total credit by orders on which payment has been stopped		221.01
Total receipts		$24,120.78
Total orders drawn per summary below		$24,091.98
Balance on hand July 1, 1946		$28.80

Summary of Expenditures

Teachers' salaries—		
Paid teachers	$12,488.90	
Paid Coll. of Int. Rev.	581.40	
		$13,070.30
Transportation		1,404.73
Fuel		1,787.54
Lights		188.55
Repairs		2,176.66
Supplies		1,433.09
Books		903.59
Insurance		194.09
Superintendence		808.62
Directors' services and expenses		115.17
Music		180.06
Miscellaneous		609.91
Telephone		61.37
Janitor services		1,158.30
Total orders drawn		$24,091.98
Unexpended balance		28.80
		$24,120.78

Reconciliation of Balance

Balance as per Treasurer's report, June 30, 1946	$385.62
Less outstanding orders June 30, 1946	356.82
Unexpended school funds June 30, 1946	$28.80

COMPARATIVE DEBT STATEMENT

Year as of June 30:

1942 net debt	$1,241.96
1943 net balance	142.24
1944 net balance	965.09
1945 net balance	2,270.20
1946 net balance	28.80

ITEMIZED EXPENSES

July 1, 1945 to June 30, 1946

Village School

Salaries—		
Urban Wakefield, principal		$2,776.80
Marion Wakefield		433.60
Frances Ladd		720.00
Katherine Whitney		1,342.80
Marjorie Boynton		942.80
Gertrude White		1,046.10
Mary Walker		1,046.00
Ruth Martin		1,046.00
Etta Giles		100.00
Janitor		1,072.80
Lights		124.25
Fuel		1,637.54
Transportation—		
Earnest Young	$540.00	
Earl Russell	37.52	
Robert Ainsworth	53.02	
Albion Jones	40.75	
Glenn Button	81.40	
Clifford Ryder	115.48	
John Doyle	104.94	
Katherine Dumont	8.12	
		981.23
Total		$13,269.92

Meadow Brook "Superior School" (No. 1)

Teacher, Elmer Roberts		$1,046.00
Janitor, Elmer Roberts		25.50
Transportation—		
Vernon Hook	$28.70	
Elmer Woodworth	44.80	
		73.50

Lights	18.00
Total	$1,163.00

Barre Road "Standard School" (No. 5)

Teacher, Eunice Burbank	$1,046.00
Janitor, Earnest Cloud	30.00
Fuel	60.00
Lights	23.71
Transportation, Earnest Cloud	350.00
Total	$1,509.71

West Hill "Standard School" (No. 9)

Teacher, Doris Hill	$942.80
Janitor, Arthur Grant	30.00
Lights	22.59
Fuel	90.00
Total	$1,085.39

Expenses Applying To All Schools

Superintendence	$808.62
Supplies	1,433.09
Repairs	2,176.66
Music	180.06
Insurance	194.09
Telephone	61.37
Books	903.59
Directors' services and expenses	115.17
Collector of Internal Revenue	581.40
Miscellaneous	609.91
Total	$7,063.96

Summary

Village school	$13,269.92
No. 1	1,163.00
No. 5	1,509.71
No. 9	1,085.39
All schools	7,063.96
Total	$24,091.98

TREASURER'S REPORT

In Account With School Directors From July 1, 1945 to June 30, 1946

Receipts

Balance on hand July 1, 1945	$2,679.31
Tax of 180 cents	11,364.91
State Treasurer	7,717.36
Income from Roberts fund	985.00
Tuition	1,469.00
Lease land rentals	32.25
Insurance refund	.54
Rent of Grammar school lands	60.51
Total	$24,308.88

Disbursements

Paid School Directors' orders	23,923.26
Balance on hand June 30, 1946	$385.62

Outstanding Orders June 30, 1946

No.		
955	Gertrude White	$105.00
980	A. C. Parker	70.27
983	Eunice Burbank	105.00
988	Katherine Whitney	50.00
989	C. C. Liese	20.60
991	N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	5.95
	Total	$356.82

Proof of Audit

The School Directors drew orders during the school year 1945 to 1946 amounting to	$24,091.98
Of which there were outstanding at the end of the school year	356.82
The Treasurer paid current orders amounting to	$23,735.16
The Treasurer also paid orders which were outstanding at the beginning of the	

year amounting to	188.10
Total orders paid per Treasurer's report	$23,923.26

PROPOSED BUDGET

July 1, 1947 to June 30, 1948

Teachers' salaries	$15,510.00
Janitors and summer cleaning	1,595.00
Transportation	2,000.00
Fuel	1,200.00
Lights	180.00
Repairs including estimated sum needed to paint Village school	2,500.00
Supplies	1,500.00
Books	500.00
Insurance	170.00
Superintendent	920.00
Directors' services and expenses	100.00
Sundries	200.00
Telephone	35.00
Health examination	300.00
Total	$26,710.00
Receipts	10,155.00
Amount to be raised by tax	$16,555.00

Estimated Receipts

State Treasurer	$7,750.00
Roberts Fund	740.00
Tuition	1,575.00
Lease land	90.00
Total receipts	$10,155.00

Expenditures July 1, 1946 to Jan. 31, 1947

Teachers' salaries	$6,295.30
Transportation	1,045.34
Repairs	637.30
Directors' salaries	80.00
Fuel	170.92
Janitor service	718.00
Collector of Internal Revenue	447.20

Fire insurance	169.88
Supplies	1,247.21
Books	491.77
Lights	52.18
Sundries	296.27
Health examination	300.00
Superintendence	527.73
Telephone	21.95
Music	48.00
Labor	381.85
Total	$12,930.90

School Directors' Orders Outstanding Feb. 1, 1947

Jan. 20, 1947—R. E. A.	$6.17
Jan. 25, 1947—Clifford Ryder	16.40
Jan. 25, 1947—Robert Ainsworth	9.90
	$32.47

To the Voters of the Town of Chelsea:

The School Board feels that a tax of $2.60 is the minimum necessary to run the schools from July 1, 1947 to June 30, 1948. This amount includes the estimated sum needed to paint the Village school building.

It is now necessary to add one additional teacher to the High School staff. When the commercial course was added a few years ago it meant a couple of extra periods for one teacher to handle but now with a four-year course well established it takes one teacher full time to do the job. Thus the entire burden of the general and college preparatory courses falls on two teachers where three were formerly needed. The cost of adding another teacher would mean an additional 40-cent tax on top of the present budget. The School Board strongly urges this additional tax be voted.

During the past year a new typewriting room was created by partitioning off a portion of the upstairs northwest class room making it possible for one teacher to conduct a class in the class room and supervise a typing class at the same time.

Approximately one-half of the elementary grade courses have been modernized and outfitted with new books.

Minimum repairs have been instigated on the gymnasium to comply with the minimum safety measures required by the State.

Rural schools, numbers 8 and 10, are still closed, but we have still received the state aid on them.

Respectfully submitted,
GLENN A. BUTTON,
FRANKLIN D. BURBANK,
F. E. DWINELL, Directors.

CHELSEA TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT

In Account With School Directors From July 1, 1946 to Jan. 31, 1947

Receipts

Balance on hand July 1, 1946	$385.62
Tax of 180 cents	11,226.43
From State Treasurer	8,009.46
Income of Roberts Fund	740.00
Lease land rent	32.25
Rent of schoolhouse No. 8	32.00
	$20,425.76

Disbursements

Paid School Directors' orders	$13,251.45
Paid bank for checks	3.80
	$13,255.25
Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1947	$7,170.51

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Board of School Directors and Citizens of Chelsea:

This report is for the school year ending June 30, 1946, and is a part of the report of the Board of School Directors required by law.

Three one-teacher schools and the four-teacher elementary school were maintained for thirty-five weeks, and the high school for thirty-six weeks. The average number of pupils enrolled in the elementary schools was 154, and the average daily attendance was 137.48. The average number enrolled in high school was 55, and the average daily attendance was 51.19. The average cost per pupil was, for elementary schools $129.42, and for high school $122.95. Thirty-seven of the high school pupils were residents of the town, and eighteen were non-resident tuition pupils. Thirty-one elementary school pupils were transported at an average cost of $45.31.

A review of pupil progress shows that of the 166 different elementary pupils enrolled, 131 were promoted one grade, 8 were promoted conditionally, 8 were not promoted, 17 transferred to other schools, and 2 dropped out of school. Fifty-four of the high school pupils were promoted, 2 transferred to other schools, and one dropped out of school. The total subject enrollment was 259, and the number of subjects failed was 2 or .7%. In the middle of the year a cooperative testing program for the elementary schools was conducted by superintendents of the southeastern section of Vermont. Revised forms of the complete battery of the Stanford achievement test were used testing paragraph and word meaning in reading, reasoning and computation in arithmetic, spelling, language usage, literature, geography, history, and elementary science. Average scores made by pupils of the town compare favorably with the results obtained from this part of the state in this examination.

The schools of the town have had excellent care and necessary repairs have been made. The Barre Road school was painted and water-flush toilets were installed. The equipment of the West Hill school was repaired, increased, and improved. The modern toilet facilities at the Village school, the rearrangement of classrooms in the High school, the provision of separate space for commercial classes and equipment, the extension of the commercial course to include advanced work, the rewiring of the gymnasium, and the school lunches have all combined to produce a most beneficial effect in improving attitudes of pupils and spirit of the

school. Up-to-date textbooks in arithmetic, reading, spelling, writing, hygiene, science, and geography have given new enthusiasm to both pupils and teachers. When possible the following improvements need to be made: The water system, toilets, and furnace at the Meadow Brook school should be replaced with new equipment; the Village school needs to be painted and some new roofing provided; more work on the gymnasium is necessary to meet safety requirements of the state fire marshal's office; and one additional teacher is needed in the High school to do the work in the general and college preparatory courses, displaced by the commercial subjects.

Present indications and all reliable sources predict rising costs for schools. Many high schools have nearly doubled their tuition rate for the next school year. Teachers' salaries are likely to increase by at least one-third. Prices of school supplies have increased, and costs of transportation and all services are likely to be much higher. Since it is the obligation of the state to equalize educational opportunity within the state and since many believe the federal government should do likewise as between states, relief for the property taxpayer in this emergency can come only to the degree that these larger tax areas assume this duty and enact legislation favorable to education.

I herewith express my appreciation to the school directors, teachers, and citizens of the town for their support.

Respectfully submitted,
A. COURTNEY PARKER,
Superintendent of Schools.

CHELSEA VITAL STATISTICS—1946

Births

Bellefeuille, Steven Wilson, son of John A. and Shirley H. (MacKeil), July 1 (in Barre).

Blake, Gary Francis, son of Russell K. and Pauline A. (Quinlan), Oct. 7 (in Barre).

Blakeney, David Earland, son of David L. and Madeline A. (Fletcher), April 25.

Burgess, Sharon Dawn, daughter of Laurence W. and Ruth E. (Orr), May 25 (in Burlington).

Button, John Howard, son of Glen A. and Irene E. (Titus), March 23 (in Montpelier).

Button, Lois Beverly, daughter of Walter F. and Ruth L. (Dodge), Jan. 30 (in Barre).

Corwin, Alan Brice, son of Alan R. and Virginia (Brice), April 30 (in Providence, R. I.).

Croft, Rodney Emerson, son of Richard J. and Linda N. (Parker), May 22 (in Barre).

Dickinson, Jean Mary, daughter of Stanley C. and Thelma M. (Kennedy), June 14 (in Barre).

Dwinell, Jean Elaine, daughter of Fred E. and Bertha C. (Barnhardt), Nov. 11 (in Barre).

Gilman, Donald Zeeb, son of Roger C. and Clara A. (Titus), Oct. 31 (in Barre).

Hook, James Leland, son of Edgar W. and Caroline E. (Richards), Aug. 30 (in Randolph).

Kennedy, Peggy Belle, daughter of Glenn E. and Mildred I. (Austin), Aug. 6.

Lyford, Donnalyn Ann, daughter of George C. and Thelma (Burbank), March 25 (in Barre).

Mattoon, Charles William, son of Warren H. and Anna M. (Lyford), June 6 (in Barre).

Philbrick, Robert Gordon, son of J. Gordon and Eleanor S. (Densmore), July 23 (in Concord, N. H.).

Reed, Eleanor Gertrude, daughter of Floyd E. and Mildred (Gates), Dec. 21 (in Barre).

Robbins, Thomas Murray, son of Morton S. Jr., and Elizabeth M. (Medbery), May 31 (in Barre).

Rushworth, Irving Samuel, son of Irving S. and Janice M. (Berry), May 26 (in Barre).

Stender, David Flint, son of David F. and Mary H. (Safko), Oct. 27 (in Hanover, N. H.).

Wakefield, Dana Urban, son of Urban C. and Marion G. (Anderson), Feb. 15 (in Barre).

Woodworth, Clayton Elmer, son of Clayton E. and Arlene R. (Wagner), April 21 (in Barre).

Marriages

Jan. 23—Guy J. O'Donnell of Chelsea and Marion A. Russell of Tunbridge.

Feb. 15—Orville E. Perkins of Strafford and Rosalba M. Ashley of Chelsea.

Feb. 17—James Stanford Titus of Chelsea and Elsie M. Lawlis of Hartford, Conn.

Mar. 25—Harold H. Miles and Sylvia A. Burbank, both of Chelsea.

Apr. 20—Clinton A. Burbank of Chelsea and Norma M. Eddy of Royalton.

May 12—Floyd J. Regan of Springfield and Violet M. Braman of Chelsea.

May 29—Floyd W. Campbell of Strafford and Kathleen L. Little of Chelsea.

June 15—Alan M. Carpenter and Elaine A. Woodworth, both of Chelsea.

June 30—Carl R. Perkins of Tunbridge and Marcia A. Hook of Chelsea.

July 5—Lester M. Holmes of Chelsea and Kathryn M. Cilley of Topsham.

Aug. 10—Leo F. Doyle of Chelsea and Betty P. Mears of Montpelier.

Aug. 24—Joseph Victor Funk of Everett, Mass., and Edna C. Liese of Chelsea.

Aug. 31—Dennis W. Pett of Detroit, Mich., and Jean W. Crowell of Franklin, N. H.

Sept. 7—Harry J. Brown, Jr., and Jeanne E. Holmes, both of Chelsea.

Oct. 26—Robert J. Edwards of Chelsea and Alice M. Hyzer of Royalton.

Oct. 31—Arthur M. Travers and Ruby E. Luce, both of Chelsea.

Nov. 27—Joseph A. A. Messier of Chelsea and Edna M. Bannister of Roxbury.

Deaths

Ashley, Myrtle Ellen, Jan. 15, aged 50 years, 10 months, 19 days.

Broadwell, Loretta Adeline, May 29, aged 35 years, 1 month, 29 days (in Waterbury).

Davis, Allie Henry, April 1, aged 62 years, 19 days (in Hanover, N. H.)

Doyle, Thomas Jefferson, June 10, aged 87 years, 7 months, 18 days.

Gates, Donald George, July 24, aged 16 years, 11 months, 27 days (in Barre).

Gray, Eliza Maria, Aug. 6, aged 85 years, 4 months, 27 days.

Hayward, Helen Elizabeth, Aug. 15, aged 56 years, 11 months, 8 days (in Waterbury).

Hook, Clarence Melvin, May 3, aged 61 years, 7 months, 22 days.

Kendall, Lidia, Mar. 20, aged 69 years, 4 months, 22 days (in Barre).

Martin, Walter Eugene, May 16, aged 71 years, 10 days (in Barre).

Melvin, Friend Noyes Whitcomb, Feb. 14, aged 39 years, 11 months, 22 days.

Morey, Arthur Paul, Sept. 19, aged 43 years, 29 days (in Barre).

Robbins, Lucy Philena, Feb. 14, aged 89 years, 9 months, 25 days (in Tunbridge).

Sargent, Philip DeWitt, Aug. 6, aged 56 years, 8 months, 24 days.

14. To see if the town will vote to collect taxes on real and personal property in installments.

15. To see if the town will vote to fix the compensation of town officers, and if so, at what amounts.

16. To see if the town will vote to have its fiscal year end December 31, 1947.

17. To see if the town school district will authorize its school directors to pay all teachers a cost of living bonus for the current school year, and if so, how much.

18. To see if the town school district will vote to have health inspection of all school children during the school year.

19. To see if the town school district will vote to instruct its school directors to maintain schools where there are enough pupils to have a legal school, and to provide suitable conveyance where school is closed.

20. To see if the town will vote to sell, or deed, a portion of the Tarbell and Gustin lots, so called, to the Veterans of Foreign Wars, for the purpose of erecting a building thereon, to be used by them as a hall and recreational center, and if so voted, to appoint an agent to convey the same.

21. To vote on these questions:

Shall licenses for the sale of malt and vinous beverages be granted in this town?

Shall spirituous liquors be sold in this town?

22. To transact any other proper business.

DEAN H. GILMAN,
O. E. BURGESS,
ANGIER EDWARDS,
Selectmen.

Chelsea, Vt., Feb. 15, 1947.

WARNING

The legal voters of the Town and Town School District of Chelsea are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Town Hall in Chelsea on Tuesday, the 4th day of March, A. D. 1947, at 11:00 o'clock A. M., to act on the following articles:

1. To choose a moderator and town clerk.

2. To receive and act upon the reports of the several town officers.

3. To see if the town will authorize its selectmen to appoint a road commissioner, and if so, whether one or two shall be appointed.

4. To choose all necessary officers for the town and town school district for the ensuing term.

5. To raise money to pay the indebtedness of the town and current expenses for the ensuing year.

6. To see what amount of tax the town school district will vote for the maintenance of schools.

7. To see what amount of tax the town will vote for the maintenance of highways.

8. To see if the town will authorize its selectmen to borrow money from time to time when necessary to carry on the business of the town.

9. To see if the town will vote to place its tax bills in the hands of the Town Treasurer for collection.

10. To see if the town will authorize its selectmen to contract with Chelsea Fire District No. 1 for fire protection of buildings and other property of the town outside said Fire District and within the town for the year beginning April 1, 1947.

11. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money for the support of the Chelsea Public Library, and if so, how much.

12. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money for the observance of Memorial day, and if so, how much.

13. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money to pay the indebtedness of Two Hundred Dollars accrued for the care of Highland Cemetery and to supplement available income for the care of said cemetery during the ensuing year, and including repairs of the tomb.

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BRING THIS REPORT TO TOWN MEETING

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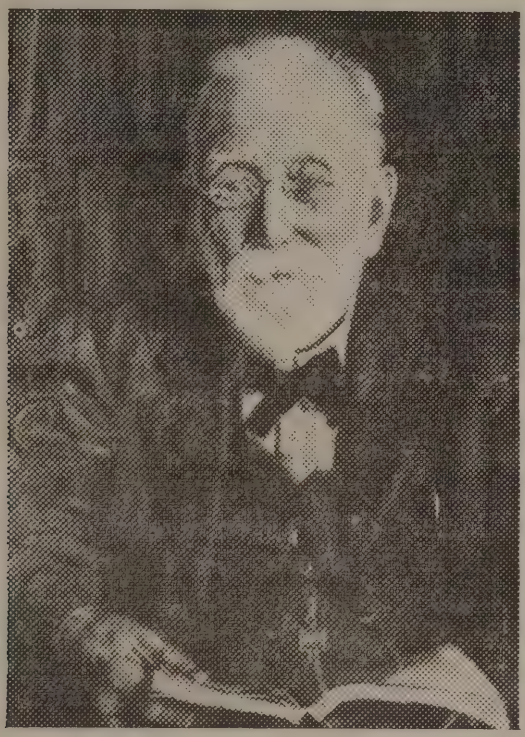
Town Officers 1947-1948.

Moderator,		O. Fay Allen
Clerk,		*O. Fay Allen
Selectmen,	Oliver E. Burgess	Term expires 1948
	Angier M. J. Edwards	Term expires 1949
	Dean H. Gilman	Term expires 1950
Treasurer,		*O. Fay Allen
Overseer of Poor,		Selectmen
Road Commissioner,		George D. Lyford
Constables,	Richard Betts,	Chauncey C. Liese
Collector of Taxes,		Chauncey C. Liese
Listers,	Percy J. Heath	Term expires 1948
	George Bradshaw	Term expires 1949
	Berthold C. Coburn	Term expires 1950
Trustees of Public Money	H. L. Hayward,	Term expires 1948
	Frank W. Button,	Term expires 1949
	George E. Chase,	Term expires 1950
School Directors,	F. D. Burbank	Term expires 1948
	Fred E. Dwinell	Term expires 1949
	Fred C. Dickinson	Term expires 1950
Auditors.	*Ray Keyser	Term expires 1948
	David Gilman	Term expires 1949
	E. Harold Colby	Term expires 1950
Trustees of Public Library,		Term expires 1948
	Mary A. Griffin	Term expires 1949
	Nellie S. Hood	Term expires 1950
	O. Fay Allen, Jr.	Term expires 1951
	M. S. Bicknell	Term expires 1952
Superintendent of Schools,		A. C. Parker
Clerk of School Board,		Fred E. Dwinell
Town Grand Jurors	O. Fay Allen, Jr.,	W. Sidney Gilman
Town Agent,		O. Fay Allen, Jr.
Surveyor of Wood and Lumber,		William A. Reed
Fence Viewers,	George P. Bradshaw,	Sabin T. Densmore
Weigher of Coal,		Henry F. Gates
Pound Keeper,		Everett F. Spear
Supervisor Old Age Assistance		O. Fay Allen
Cemetery Commissioners,	*O. Fay Allen	Term expires 1948
	Fred E. Dwinell,	Term expires 1949
	S. C. Wilson	Term expires 1950
	Edward B. Hatch	Term expires 1951
	Percy J. Heath	Term expires 1952

*Appointed



JOHN M. COMSTOCK

Chelsea dedicates this annual report to the memory of John Moore Comstock who died in Chelsea, October 30, 1947, aged 88 years, and who for nearly a quarter of a century was its town clerk and treasurer, who was its historian and at the time of his death was its oldest resident. His long life of accomplishment along many lines entitles his name to be recorded here as one of the most distinguished citizens of Chelsea during all its history. Always modest and unassuming, his long life was spent in the service of his fellow men.

Mr. Comstock was born in Wiliamstown May 27, 1859 and attended district schools there and in Chelsea with a short time at Chelsea Academy. He was in the first class to enter Goddard Seminary in Barre and graduated there in 1873. He graduated at Dartmouth College at the age of 17 as Bachelor of Arts, won his degree of M. A. in 1880, and was awarded the honorary degree of L. L. D. in 1932.

He married Persis Dearborn of Chelsea in 1881, who died December 29, 1940. They had eight children of whom six now survive, together with eleven grandchildren and fifteen great grandchildren.

Mr. Comstock taught school first in Springfield High School, next in the Episcopal Institute in Burlington and then was principal of Chelsea Academy (now Chelsea High School) for twenty-four years. He was county examiner of teachers 1904-1909; Register of Probate for the Randolph District 1909-1936; Justice of the Peace since 1899; Justice of Juvenile Court from 1937; trustee of Chelsea Public Library, Cemetery Commissioner and lister for clerical work for many years; statistical secretary for the Vt. Congregational Conference 1890-1945; secretary of his class in college from graduation; Alumni Editor of Dartmouth Alumni Magazine and alumni necrologist 1907-1945; Alumni Editor emeritus since 1945.

He was from his early days in Chelsea active in the Congregational Church and later the United Church. He was one of the promoters of the idea of combining the Congregational and Methodist Churches under an equitable working arrangement which united their efforts but preserved their individuality.

In 1918 he prepared for the State of Vermont a revision of "Demings Vermont Officers". In 1915 he published a book 'The Congregational Churches of Vermont and the Ministry 1762-1914" and in 1942 he published a revision of it. In 1944 as the result of action of the Town of Chelsea in the previous year, he published a history of Chelsea which he entitled "The Origin of Chelsea, Vermont, and a Record of its Institutions and Individuals". He also published from time to time short historical articles in newspapers.

TOWN OF CHELSEA, VT.
1947-1948

Population 1,007 (last census) Area 23,818 acres Altitude, 840 feet. Miles of highways, 92.90 of which 10 miles is State Highway.

Real and personal grand list	$ 5,834.01
Polls, 479	479.00
Total grand list	$ 6,313.01

Comparative Statements

Grand List		Tax Rate	
1943	6,205.33	1943	3.80
1944	6,220.90	1944	3.75
1945	6,313.84	1945	3.75
1946	6,236.91	1946	4.25
1947	6,313.01	1947	4.77

Total Tax Raised
(School Tax Included)

	Amount raised
1943—$3.75 and $2.50 old age assistance	$24,443.66
1944—$3.75 and $2.50 old age assistance	24,473.38
1945—$3.75 and $2.50 old age assistance	24,773.71
1946—$4.25 and $2.50 old age assistance	27,677.11
1947—$4.77 and $2.50 old age assistance	31,304.28

TOWN ACCOUNT

Assets—What We Own
(Real estate and personal property not included)

Uncollected taxes		$ 2,976.95
U. S. War Bonds (sale of cannon)		37.50
Cash on hand		
General Town account	$ 2,473.09	
Unselected Roads account	55.00	
General Highway account	332.99	
		2,861.08
		$ 5,875.53

Liabilities—What We Owe

On notes at bank	$ 12,000.00
Outstanding Orders	473.93
	$ 12,473.93
Feb. 1, 1948, excess of liabilities over assets, net indebtedness	$ 6,598.40
Feb. 1, 1947, excess of liabilities over assets	240.41

OPERATING STATEMENT

All Accounts Except School Account
Actual Cash Receipts

Cash on hand, Feb. 1, 1947		$ 1,763.00
Delinquet taxes collected	$ 952.28	
1947 taxes collected	13,552.71	
		14,504.99
Received from State Treasurer		
For Town Highways	$ 8,541.37	
For winter maintenance	1,614.57	
		10,155.94
Money borrowed		18,000.00
Other receipts as per treasurer's report		1,858.35
Total Receipts		$ 46,282.28

Disbursements

Orders drawn by selectmen for—		
General running expenses	$ 11,721.55	
Unselected highways	6,838.58	
Winter roads	2,149.32	
State aid roads	1,917.02	
To pay on borrowed money	10,000.00	
		$ 32,626.47
Orders drawn by overseer		5,068.16
Orders drawn by road commissioner		6,200.50
Total orders drawn		$ 43,895.13

Total disbursements	$ 43,895.13	
Owing at bank	12,000.00	
	$ 55,895.13	
Total receipts	46,282.28	
Overdraft for year		$ 9,612.85

INVENTORY OF TOWN PROPERTY

(Real estate listed as per listers' appraisal)

Real estate—		
Laird farm	$ 1,000.00	
Garage	1,500.00	
Town forest	50.00	
Town hall	10,000.00	
North Common	200.00	
South Common	200.00	
Town barn	300.00	
		$13,250.00
Office equipment	$ 200.00	
Town hall equipment	200.00	
Road machine	150.00	
Chains, tools, wrenches, etc.	150.00	
3 Indian pack pumps	25.00	
Tractors and plows	10,000.00	
Ford truck	400.00	
Barco drill and drills	400.00	
		11,525.00
Material and supplies on hand—		
Lumber and posts	$ 340.00	
Fuel oil, lub. oil and grease	65.00	
Wood at town hall and garage	95.00	
		500.00
Total		$ 25,275.00

School Property

School building in District No. 1	1,000.00
School building in District No. 2	4,000.00
Gymnasium in District No. 2	500.00
Athletic field	500.00
School building in District No. 5	1,000.00

School building in District No. 8	500.00	
School building in District No. 9	1,000.00	
School building in District No. 10	800.00	
		$9,300.00
Equipment, furniture, etc.		500.00
Books and supplies		500.00
Total		$ 10,300.00
Total value of Town property		25,275.00
Total value of school property		10,300.00
Grand total		$ 35,575.00

TREASURER'S REPORT

General Account

Receipts

Balance on hand 2-1-47		$ 1,763.00
From C. C. Liese, collector—		
On 1947 list	$ 13,552.71	
Delinquent taxes	952.28	
		14,504.99
From State Treasurer—		
Winter roads	$ 1,614.57	
Unselected roads	6,770.89	
Use of equipment	8.50	
Retreatment and resurfacing	1,677.56	
½ cost forest fires	84.42	
		10,155.94
From Selectmen, use of truck—		
On state aid work	$ 91.80	
On resurfacing	14.80	
On bridge repair	13.00	
		119.60
From Selectmen—		
For retreatment acct.	$ 132.12	
For resurfacing acct.	107.34	
		239.46
For 14 cords wood, from Laird farm		21.00
Refunds for assistance—		
Marjorie O'Donnell	$ 22.74	
Lewis Austin	22.00	

Guy Coburn	96.02	
		140.76
J. E. Kennedy, lumber		13.00
J. C. Rowell, fuel oil		1.07
Fred Dickinson, liquor license		25.00
S. T. Densmore, barbed wire, etc.		13.22
Town of Washington, plowing roads		31.17
H. G. Lyford, use of tractor		10.00
Forrest Tucker, use of truck		4.00
Fred Dwinell, for grading		2.35
Russell Blake, for grading		35.00
J. A. Messire, for grading		17.49
D. H. Gilman, use of bulldozer		68.50
D. H. Gilman, plank		4.00
Frank Brannan, dynamite		.30
Everett Spear, boards		52.48
Lawrence Darling, use of Jack hammer		1.50
Ruth Martin, use of truck		1.50
M. H. Hayward, for junk		5.00
Bradford Veneer Co., dynamite		6.00
Mrs. Ella Kennedy, use of bulldozer		3.50
Angus Edwards, use of bulldozer		24.00
Guy Brown, use of bulldozer		26.00
Quality Products Co., use of bulldozer		32.00
Veterans of Foreign Wars, use of tractor		5.00
Hall rent		464.50
Dog licenses		387.45
Rebate lighting fund		45.00
Lease land rent		58.50
Borrowed money		18,000.00
Total receipts		$ 46,282.28

Disbursements

Paid Selectmen's orders—		
General account	$ 21,592.66	
Unselected highway	6,838.58	
Snow road	2,125.72	
State aid	1,595.01	
Resurfacing	322.01	
		$32,473.98
Paid Road Commissioner's orders		6,005.60

Paid Overseer's orders	4,941.62
Total disbursements	$ 43,421.20
Cash on hand Feb. 1, 1948	2,861.08
	$ 46,282.28

O. FAY ALLEN, Treasurer

Outstanding Orders

General Account—		
No. 402—Jan. 17, 1948, E. C. Liese	$ 59.29	
No. 423—Jan. 20, 1948, E. H. Kennedy	69.60	
		$128.89
General Highway—		
No. 363—July 12, 1947, coll. of Int. Rev.	117.70	
No. 419—Nov. 15, 1947, coll. of Int. Rev.	39.00	
No. 426—Jan. 23, 1948, coll. of Int. Rev.	38.20	
		194.90
Snow Roads—		
No. 486—Jan. 29, 1948, Pat Kennedy		23.60
Overseer's Acount—		
No. 492—Jan. 20, 1948, Dept. Social Welfare		126.54
		$ 473.93

SELECTMEN'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING JANUARY 31, 1948

The increase in the indebtedness of the town during the past year is due to the purchase of machinery, increase in cost of labor, and care of the poor. There are still some delinquent taxes, if collected, that would reduce this deficit. We would recommend a tax for the coming year large enough to retire this debt if possible.

Suggested Budget for 1948

Town hall and clerk's office	$ 900.00
Town officers	900.00
Cutting bushes	200.00
Miscellaneous	1,200.00
Insurance	275.00
Streets	425.00
Commons	95.00
Tractors	1,000.00
Trucks	750.00
Snow plows	700.00
Road machine	75.00
Barco drill	25.00
Interest	300.00
Taxes assessed	2,300.00
Appropriations	400.00
Welfare dept.	5,000.00
Dog damage	50.00
	$ 14,995.00

O. E. BURGESS,
D. H. GILMAN,
A. J. EDWARDS,
Selectmen

SELECTMEN'S ACCOUNT

Summary of Orders to Feb. 1, 1948

Town Officers	$ 893.53
Town Hall and Clerk's office	948.28
Miscellaneous	2,230.08
Truck	980.47
Tractors	1,838.97
Snow Plows	672.51
Bridges	227.05
Taxes assessed	2,290.43
Road Machine	30.20
Streets	413.00
Appropriations	600.00
Commons	93.55
Insurance	230.24
Barco drill	2.92
Interest	248.36

Money borrowed	10,000.00
Dog damage	16.00
	$ 21,715.59
Service charge at bank (no orders drawn)	5.96
	$ 21,721.55

Town Officers

E. H. Colby, auditor and use of adding machine	$ 27.00
O. Fay Allen, Sr., auditor	27.00
B. C. Coburn, lister	80.00
George Bradshaw, lister	75.00
P. J. Heath, lister	80.00
O. Fay Allen, Sr., health officer and expense	21.37
C. C. Liese, collector of taxes	287.73
D. H. Gilman, selectman	15.00
A. M. J. Edwards, selectman	15.00
O. E. Burgess, chairman selectmen and post.	80.23
D. H. Gilman, Admr. J. M. Comstock Estate. Town Clerk and Treasurer	72.92
O. Fay Allen, Sr., Treasurer, Town Clerk, post.	62.28
	$ 893.53

Town Hall and Clerk's Office

Central Vermont Public Service Corp., lights	$ 67.32
O. E. Burgess, shoveling, moving wood, and trucking	10.00
F. E. Hood, janitor service and cash paid for supplies	112.54
Clarence Green, janitor service	56.62
A. C. Coburn, janitor service	312.60
A. C. Coburn, labor on furnaces	22.00
F. B. Sanborn, labor on furnaces	25.50
A. F. Sanborn, furnace parts, pipe and freight	118.43
F. Ray & Ellen L. Keyser, water rent	12.00
Robbins & Robbins, supplies	7.11
Sidney Gilman, wood	156.00
Fred Dickinson, supplies	4.25
E. H. Colby, supplies	1.65
A. F. Sanborn, glass, labor and repair of faucet	7.00

Wm. H. Underhill, supplies	5.86
O. F. Allen, Treas., wood cut at Laird Farm	18.00
John Bellefieulle, repair of lighting system	1.87
Allen & Underhill, supplies	9.53
$	948.28

Miscellaneous

Central Vermont Public Service Corp., lighting garage	12.91
New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co., local service and tolls	47.25
The Chelsea Job Press, town reports and other printing	161.85
Wheeler & Clark, dog tags	8.03
J. M. Comstock, postage and making tax bills	27.76
E. H. Colby, shovels, faucet, wedges and maul handle	15.05
Dr. Mitchell, services rendered	5.00
Dr. F. A. Caccavo, services rendered	7.00
Allen & Underhill, supplies	28.77
O. E. Burgess, labor cash paid for supplies	24.41
Casellini-Venable Corp., angle dozer	1,250.00
H. N. Sanborn, iron bar	2.00
Jack Kennedy, self and truck	38.00
Alice Walker, ministerial money and storage of snow fence, West Hill Church	22.50
Hazel D. Flanders, ministerial money, United Churches	39.00
O. E. Burgess, mowing old cemetery	10.40
G. D. Lyford, labor at garage, etc.	18.00
Peck Bros., 3 gal. paint for air directions	11.85
Walter Grant, mowing Wiggin Cemetery	5.60
Tuttle Stationery Co., supplies (town clerk)	61.45
Alice Allen, mowing and raking Lincoln and Allen Cemeteries	6.00
Sidney Gilman, painting letters air directions	12.50
Vermont Aeromatic Co., 1 1-4 gal. paint, air directions	3.63
Sidney Gilman, 2 cords wood, garage	26.00
O. Fay Allen, Clerk, labor on deeds and postage	14.00
O. Fay Allen, Treas., 1-3 cost of resurfacing	

on No. 2 state aid highway	107.34
O. Fay Allen, Treas., 1-3 cost of retreatment on No. 2 state aid road	132.12
Wm. W. Underhill, replacing bridge lamps	2.75
O. Fay Allen, Jr., letter to public health dept.	3.00
C. C. Liese, Collector, taxes abated	59.29
J. B. Hill, balance due cutting trees cemetery approach	7.52
Wilson & Keyser, services in Leighton case	35.00
O. Fay Allen, Treas., wood cut on Laird farm for garage	3.00
C. C. Liese, credit David Blackney on taxes mowing Laird Cemetery	6.40
D. H. Gilman, labor and investigating dog damage	8.00
A. F. Sanborn, glass and pipe for garage	6.65
	$ 2,230.08

Truck

G. D. Lyford, labor and cash for repairs	$14.18
Donald Ladd, express and cash for repair of radiator	13.50
H. F. Gates, gas and oil	302.05
Motor Vehicle Dept., registration	10.00
Dwight McCullough, labor, posts, gas and oil	267.02
Jack Kennedy, labor	15.50
E. H. Colby, gas and oil and tires repaired	76.32
Kennedy's Garage, labor, parts, gas and oil	157.94
G. H. Hayward, tires spring and wheel	100.50
Summer's Garage inspection	1.00
O. E. Burgess labor and cash paid for parts	18.71
H. N. Sanborn & Son, repair of tire	1.00
Eustace Ritchie, greasing	2.75
	$ 980.47

Tractors

H. F. Gates, cash paid for fuel oil	$167.02
H. F. Gates, alcohol, gas and oil	35.67
Kennedy Garage, labor, repairs, rods and use of welder	140.78

Casellini-Venable Corp., parts and labor	1,086.03
Northeast Petroleum Co., Inc., oil and grease	78.42
Dwight McCullough, labor and supplies	29.05
G. D. Lyford, labor	7.65
Lester Holmes, labor	2.40
Alfred Boardman, labor	2.70
Cecil Densmore, labor	7.60
Jack Kennedy, labor and trucking tractors	122.50
O. E. Burgess, labor and cash paid for supplies	21.13
Shell Oil Co., fuel oil	110.88
A. F. Sanborn, glass	1.00
George Dacies, balance on fuel oil	1.19
H. N. Sanborn & Son, 5 gals. alcohol	24.95
	$ 1,837.97

Snow Plows

Reynolds & Son, Inc., wire rope and bolts	$12.05
Casellini-Venable Corp., part balance cost of tractor and plow	165.98
Casellini-Venable Corp., parts and labor	326.99
O. E. Burgess, labor and cash paid for parts	2.56
G. D. Lyford, labor	54.70
Jack Kennedy, labor	48.63
Donnie Ladd, express	1.00
H. N. Sanborn & Son, batteries and Prestone	40.80
E. H. Colby, Prestone	7.95
A. F. Sanborn, glass	2.00
Dwight McCullough, welding and charging batteries	5.00
Lowell McLeod, bolts	4.85
	$ 672.51

Bridges

H. G. Lyford, self, man, team and truck	$17.00
D. H. Gilman, labor	9.20
Alfred Boardman, labor	20.05
Cecil Densmore, labor	18.00
O. E. Burgess, labor and cash paid helper	50.00
G. D. Lyford, labor	39.80

Orlando Braman, labor	3.60
Lester Holmes, labor	3.60
Leon Grant, Jr., labor	3.60
Ernest Royce, labor	1.60
L .W. Burgess, labor	1.60
Herbert Kennedy, labor	7.20
Jack Kennedy, trucking stringers	3.50
Marion Bryant, stringers	10.00
E. H. Colby, spikes	10.30
Guy Bowin, posts for railings	15.00
J. M. Comstock, Treas., use of truck	13.00
	$ 227.05

Taxes, Town, County and State

C. C. Liese, fire tax	$3.95
H. W. Mattison, county tax	124.81
C. C. Liese, town tax	144.30
Treasurer, State of Vermont, highway tax	737.49
Vermont Agri. Extension Service, town's share	206.63
Treasurer, State of Vermont, old age assistance tax	1,073.25
	$ 2,290.43

Road Machines

Casellini-Venable Corp., blades	$11.50
Kennedy's Garage, welding	8.70
J. A. Messier, welding	7.00
Dwight McCullough, welding	3.00
	$ 30.20

Streets

Ralph Lyon, plowing sidewalk	$24.00
Central Vermont Public Service Corp., lighting	375.00
Sidney Gilman, plowing sidewalk	14.00
	$ 413.00

Appropriations

P. J. Heath, Chairman, Highland cemetery board	$200.00
W. A. Reed, Memorial Day observance	50.00
J. M. Comstock, Chelsea Public Library	250.00
E. B. Hatch, contract with C. F. D. No. 1	100.00
	$ 600.00

Commons

G. H. Hayward, trucking debris	$11.70
O. E. Burgess, raking, mowing and trimming	74.05
Ernest Royce, raking	7.80
	$ 93.55

Insurance

W. H. Beckwith, agent	$13.20
Allen & Underhill, agents	74.24
E. H. Peet, agent	4.00
F. R. Keyser, agent	41.60
O. F. Allen, agent	41.60
M. G. Colby, agent	13.20
Farm Bureau Auto Ins. Co.	42.40
	$ 230.24

Barco Hammer

E. H. Colby, gas and oil	$1.38
O. E. Burgess, cash paid for gas and oil	1.54
	$ 2.92

Interest

Orange County Branch of National White River Bank in Bethel	$248.36

Money Borrowed

Orange County Branch of National White River Bank in Bethel	$10,000.00

Dog Damage

Lyman Sprague, 1 lamb killed	$16.00

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Our Town highway system comprises 92.90 miles of roads, divided as follows: 4.60 miles "state aid" highway, 10.75 miles of "state" highway and 77.55 miles of "town" highway. The state highway is the highway from the Tunbridge town line to the Washington town line and from the junction near the Bank block to the Vershire line. The state aid highways are the road from George Densmore's to the Brookfield line above Irving Hood's and from the junction near James Kennedy's to the Arthur Bacon place. The balance are town highways.

General Highway Account

George D. Lyford, Road Commissioner

Money Available

Balance Feb. 1, 1947	$17.18
Order No .147—Ernest Royce, Aug. 5, 1941 charged off	2.10
Town tax of $1.00	6,313.01
Dynamite sold	6.30
Total available	$ 6,338.59
Total orders drawn	6,200.50
Balance Feb. 1, 1948	$ 138.09

Orders Drawn

Earl Doyle, iron work	$2.50
Arthur Bearor, labor	5.60
D. C. McCullough, labor	2.50
Kenneth G. Thompson, labor	129.20
Frank Gates, labor with team	21.20
Bert Hill, labor	87.60
Wesley Downing, labor	4.00
Athol Coburn, labor with team	48.00
Warren Harry Hayward, labor with team	19.20
Warren Matoon, labor with tractor	23.00
Elmer Woodworth, labor with team	57.60
Leonard Roberts, labor with team	51.20
Fred Cahill, labor	18.00
B. A. Goodrich, labor	6.40

Orville Ladd, labor with team	74.40
Dan Hale, labor with team	122.40
Donald Ramsey, labor	61.00
Alfred Boardman, labor	480.40
Fred Howe, labor	14.40
Sidney Gilman, labor	6.40
Winston Rogers, labor	7.20
Cecil Densmore, labor	435.40
O. E. Burgess, labor	569.30
George D. Lyford, labor	1,066.95
Mike Kennedy, labor with truck	594.70
Waldo Taylor, labor with team	34.40
Dan Densmore, labor with team	41.60
Earl Thorne, labor	8.00
Ernest Luce, labor	8.80
Walter Grant, labor	252.40
Herbert Kennedy, labor	63.40
Lester Holmes, labor	229.10
O. P. Braman, labor	205.30
Harold Hayward, labor	12.00
Leon Grant, labor	54.50
W. A. Reed, labor	23.20
Leo Doyle, labor	16.00
Edward Sherlock, labor	19.10
Roger Gilman, labor	30.00
Harry O'Donnell, labor	26.00
Kenneth O'Donnell, labor	26.40
Jack Kennedy, labor with tractor	63.15
Edward Paul, labor with team	27.20
Neal Felch, labor with team	128.00
E. G. LaFrancis, labor	71.20
Herbert Lyford, labor with tractor	150.20
Nelson Dukette, labor with team	145.60
Archie Dupras, labor with team	68.80
Warren Hook, labor	5.60
Clyde Hook, labor	21.60
A. C. Coburn, labor	12.80
Richard Druge, labor	9.60
Walter Druge, labor with team	84.40
A. M. Flanders Co., culvert	25.00
Stanley Wilson, 1480½ yds. of gravel @ .10 yd.	148.05
Chelsea Lumber Co., lumber	5.16

Richard Croft, hardware	2.64
Victor Forrester, toll on gravel 675 yds. @ .01 yd.	6.75
Allen & Underhill, bond and books	23.60
E. H. Colby, shovels	4.00
Vermont Explosive Co.	43.50
Collector of Internal Revenue, withholding tax	194.90
Total	$ 6,200.50

Unselected Highways

George D. Lyford, foreman

Amount on hand Feb. 1, 1947	$54.63
Received from sale of posts and barbed wire	13.22
Received from hauling gravel for grading	54.84
Received from State of Vermont	6,770.89
	$ 6,893.58
Orders drawn	6,838.58
Amount on hand Feb. 1, 1948	55.00

Orders

E. H. Colby, wire, staples and nails	$15.77
Guy Bowen, posts	34.50
Cecil Densmore, labor	16.00
Orlando Braman, labor	32.30
Alfred Boardman, labor	202.50
George D. Lyford, labor	223.35
Lester Holmes, labor	142.20
G. W. Burgess, labor	142.00
Ernest Royce, labor	109.60
Walter Grant, labor	116.40
Donald Ramsey, labor	7.60
Tex Marshey, labor	6.40
Winston Rogers, labor	9.60
Herbert Kennedy, labor	36.00
Warren Whitney, self and truck	369.30
Mike Kennedy, self and truck	524.80
G. H. Hayward, self and 2 trucks	826.50
Rudolph Danforth, man and truck	537.60
Clifford Brailey, man and truck	168.40
O. E. Burgess, labor and truck	419.10
Jack Kennedy, labor and truck	422.80

Merrill Whitney, truck	261.00
Paul Dutton, shovel and operator 2 trucks and drivers	1,448.40
Victor Forrester, 1c. toll on 1986 loads gravel	19.86
S. C. Wilson, 6512 yds. gravel	651.20
Guy Moxley, 365 yds. gravel	36.50
Collector of Internal Revenue, withholding tax	58.90
	$ 6,838.58

Snow Roads Including Sanding

Received from State, use of equipment	$24.90
Received from State, (state aid roads)	101.92
Received from State, (unselected roads)	1,487.75
Received from Town of Washington	31.17
Balance in sanding account transferred	24.68
	$ 1,670.42
Total orders drawn	2,149.32
Overdraft	$ 478.90

Orders Drawn by Selectmen

Ernest Royce, snow removal	$ 106.00
Put Kennedy, snow removal	138.00
Richard Kennedy, snow removal	3.20
Jack Kennedy, snow removal	596.31
E. H. Colby, snow removal	7.20
Merle Colby, snow removal	51.00
L. H. Meyers, snow removal	8.00
Kenneth Coby, snow removal	23.30
Harry O'Donnell, snow removal	16.80
F. R. Thorne, snow removal	13.60
Tex Marshey, snow removal	1.60
Herbert Kennedy, snow removal	30.00
Glenn Kennedy, snow removal	7.20
Kenneth O'Donnell, self and team	20.00
Carroll Jackson, self and team	30.40
Harry Slack, self and team	7.00
E. G. Thorne, self and team	22.40
Victor Forrester, snow removal	48.00
Winston Rogers, snow removal and sanding	211.80
G. D. Lyford, snow removal, snow fence and	

sanding	481.05
O. E. Burgess, snow removal, snow fence, and sanding	117.80
Mike Kennedy, self and truck, snow fence and sanding	62.80
Harold Hayward, self and truck sanding	12.70
Sabin Densmore, sanding	12.40
Richard Densmore, sanding	2.80
Robert Holmes, sanding	3.60
L. W. Burgess, sanding	3.20
Edward Sherlock, sanding	1.20
Harold Adams, sanding	3.60
A. C. Coburn, sanding	9.60
G. H. Hayward, sanding	9.60
Gerald Slack, sanding and snow removal	16.20
Glenn Button, 2 men and truck sanding	5.00
International Salt Co., salt	48.06
F. J. Austin, 169 yds. sand	16.90
Collector of Internal Revenue, withholding tax	1.00
	$ 2,149.32

STATE AID HIGHWAY NO. 1

George D. Lyford, Foreman

Unused Fund held by State Feb. 1, 1947	$ 2,718.61
Income under Section 4657 P. L. and Act 17 1931 Section 47	1,157.35
	$ 3,875.96
Amount expended 1947	1,198.65
Balance in hands of State Highway Dept.	$ 2,677.31

Orders Drawn

Warren Whitney, self and truck	$ 80.00
Mike Kennedy, self and truck	134.40
G. H. Hayward, self and truck	128.80
Jack Kennedy, man and truck	113.60
Rudolph Danforth, man and truck	88.45
G. D. Lyford, labor	43.00
Walter Grant, labor	6.80
Orlando Braman, labor	23.10

O. E. Burgess, labor	32.60
Lester Holmes, labor	31.50
J. M. Comstock, use of town truck	91.80
Paul Dutton, shovel and operator	252.00
S. C. Wilson, 1,574½ yds. gravel	157.45
Victor Forrester, 1c toll on 545 loads gravel	5.45
Collector of Internal Revenue, withholding tax	9.70
	$ 1,198.65

STATE AID HIGHWAY NO. 2 RESURFACING

George D. Lyford, Foreman

Amount received from Town	$ 107.34
Amount received from State Highway Dept.	214.67
	$ 322.01

Orders Drawn

Paul Dutton, 2 men and 2 trucks	$ 38.40
Warren Whitney, self and truck	13.80
Mike Kennedy, self and truck	19.20
G. H. Hayward, self and 2 trucks	30.00
Rudolph Danford, man and truck	19.20
Merrill Whitney, man and truck	15.60
Jack Kennedy, man and truck	19.20
O. E. Burgess, man and truck	15.60
Town Treas., use of town truck	14.80
G. D. Lyford, labor	15.75
O. E. Burgess, labor	14.80
Cecil Densmore, labor	9.20
Alfred Boardman, labor	9.20
Lester Holmes, labor	4.80
Ernest Royce, labor	5.60
Paul Dutton, shovel and operator	36.00
Victor Forrester, 1c toll on 116 loads gravel	1.16
S. C. Wilson, 397 yards gravel	39.70
	$ 322.01

STATE AID HIGHWAY NO. 2 RETREATMENT

George D. Lyford, Foreman

Amount received from Town	$	132.12
Amount received from State Highway Dept.		264.24
	$	396.36

Orders Drawn from General Account

Treasurer State of Vt., 39 yds. peastone	$	78.00
The Barrett Division, 1,150 Tarvia .1475		169.63
Treasurer State of Vt., pay roll		99.98
Treasurer State of Vt., hauling 39 yds. peastone		48.75
	$	396.36

OVERSEER'S REPORT

Orders Drawn by Angier Edwards, Chairman Board of Overseers

Vermont State Dept. of Social Welfare	$	1,047.41
For Mrs. Evelyn Austin family, groceries and medical care		293.50
For Edward Paul family, 19 qts. milk		3.80
For Mark Dunbar groceries and clothing		382.21
For Bert Ashley, doctor service		6.00
For Mrs. Clyde Beede family, groceries and clothing		114.78
For Nelson Dukette, hospital care for Joyce, Dorothy and Paul Dukette		137.05
For David Blakeney family, groceries		6.62
For Mrs. Myrtie Paul, hospital care		1,195.50
For Arthur O'Donnell, hospital care, transportation and groceries		1,319.56
For Guy Coburn, hospital care, board and clothing		510.88
(Of this $96.02 was refunded by him)		
Miscellaneous expenses		30.85
Total orders drawn	$	5,068.16

Refunds received:—

Mrs. Marjorie O'Donnell, for '46 $22.74

Lewis Austin, for 1946	22.00	
Guy Coburn, on account	96.02	
		140.76
Net cost of poor for year		$ 4,917.40

ANGIER F. EDWARD, Selectman.

ROBERT'S POOR FUND

Disbursements from the Robert's Poor Fund for the benefit of 8 persons or families within the year	$	349.56
For flour for members of the board		40.00
	$	389.56

TREASURER'S REPORT

In Account with Roberts' Poor Fund

Receipts

Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1947	$	566.16
Rec'd from Old Colony Trust Co., income of Fund		430.00
Rec'd interest on Savings Account		2.65
Rec'd refund from Beneficiary		15.00
	$	1,013.81

Disbursements

Paid 21 orders drawn by board	$	389.56
Paid 1 1946 outstanding order		15.00
	$	404.56

Leaving a balance for use in 1948 of $609.25

VERMONT DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE
120 STATE STREET
MONTPELIER, VERMONT

Since payments by the State have a considerable part in lowering the tax rates the following information is furnished as a public service for inclusion in your Town Report.

PAYMENTS TO PERSONS FOUND IN OR APPLYING FROM CHELSEA FOR CALENDAR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1947

FOR OLD AGE ASSISTANCE	$10,047.00
BLIND ASSISTANCE	905.00
AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN	4,363.20
ADULT CRIPPLED AID	276.00
COMMITTED CHILDREN	1,057.24
TOTAL	$ 16,648.44

The newly established Department of Social Welfare administers programs formerly administered by the Department of Public Welfare and the Old Age Assistance Commission. It is responsible for the determination of eligibility and continuation of eligibility and within the limitations of money available, for the payment of financial assistance to approximately 9,000 individuals in various categories from youth to old age. Increase in the cost of living, unemployment, family insecurity, divorce, sickness, lack of housing, inadequate social security benefits, exhaustion of savings and a longer life span are factors in applications for aid and the amount in need.

This agency endeavors to function with kindly consideration of human needs and the practical and efficient expenditure of public funds. We appreciate the information and advice of so many who have cooperated with us in the past twelve years.

Publication of the names of recipients of Old Age Assistance, Aid to Dependent Children and Blind Assisttance in Town and City Reports is prohibited by State and Federal laws.

Very sincerely yours,

W. ARTHUR SIMPSON,
Commissioner.

REPORT OF CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

The following new funds have been added this year:

Mrs. C. D. Stearns for care of lot 7	$	100.00
Mrs. Clara M. Bohonon for care of lot 139		100.00
Mrs. Wilma Kennedy for care ½ lot 354½		50.00

The two $100 funds are invested in U. S. Government Bonds and the $50 fund is in a savings account at Orange County Branch Bank.

Orders Drawn by Chairman

J. B. Hill, labor	$	419.74
W. A. Reed, labor		168.00
Guy Bowin, fence posts		1.40
E. H. Colby, lawn mower, etc.		29.00
Allen & Underhill, printing		3.25
P. J. Heath, services and cash paid out		50.35
D. H. Gilman, Admr. J. M. Comstock services		15.00
O. Fay Allen, services		5.00
	$	691.74

TREASURER'S CEMETERY REPORT

Receipts

Balance Feb. 1, 1947	$	172.99
Lewis Austin for Lot No. 358		30.00
Mrs. Eunice Tullar, for Lot No. 232		30.00
Douglas Cole, for Lot No. 209		20.00
Grace Nichols, for lot		30.00
Jennie V. Slack, for Lot 279½		25.00
James Ackerman, for part lot		10.00
Boardway & Cilley, use of tomb		20.00
Mac B. Royce, use of tomb		5.00
Appropriation from town		200.00
Granite Savings Bank & Trust Co., int. on Spear Fund		1.15
City Inst. for Savings, int. Joel Ordway Fund		4.50
H. E. Roberts Cem. Fund, care of lot		10.00
Interest on funds in savings accounts, Orange County Branch Bank		51.39
Interest on U. S. Bonds		312.87

Individuals for care of lots	209.50
	$ 1,132.40

Disbursements

Paid 31 orders amounting to	$ 691.74
Paid note at bank (no order)	200.00
	$ 891.74
Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1948 $ 240.66	

CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS

By the Auditors

Amount of funds per detailed list in report of Jan. 31, 1945	$ 16,287.37
Error in 1945 report a/c funds from unknown source	200.00
Total funds as of Jan. 31, 1945	$ 16,487.37
Funds added per 1946 report	800.00
Funds added per 1947 report	526.70
Funds added per 1948 report	250.00
Total funds Jan. 31, 1948	$ 18,064.07
These funds are invested as follows:	
U. S. Savings Bonds (Series G)	$ 12,500.00
5 shares Pref. B stock, Granite S. B. & Tr. Co.	100.00
Savings accounts in Chelsea Bank	5,164.07
Savings account in City Inst. for Savings, Lowell, Mass.	300.00
Total investments	$ 18,064.07

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC MONEY FOR THE WEST HILL CEMETERY

Balance in Bank Feb. 1, 1947	$ 202.17
Rec'd interest on Government Bonds	27.50
Rec'd of Mrs. J. C. Joslin for care of George H. Bacon lot for 1945, '46, '47	6.00
Rec'd from Mrs. S. C. Wilson for care of Erdix Bacon lot	2.00

Rec'd from O. F. Allen, Admr. of Eliza Gray Estate for care of lot			100.00
		$	337.67
Paid Mrs. Alice Walker for land to be used as an addition to the West Hill Cemetery	$ 50.00		
Paid Town Clerk for recording deed	1.00		
Paid bank for government bond for the Eliza Gray and Salter lot	100.00		
Paid Erland LaFrancis, for mowing lots	25.00		
Paid Harry L. Hayward for labor, time and money spent	12.50		188.50
Balance Jan. 31, 1948	$ 116.09		149.17
Cash on hand Jan. 31, 1948	$ 33.08		

Due from Joseph Horton for lot bought in 1936 $5.00

There are on hand U. S. Series G bonds amounting to $1,400.00 and $70.79 in special savings accounts in the Chelsea Bank. Of this amount $1,420.07 represents trust funds.

HARRY L. HAYWARD, For Trustees.

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT OF THE HILAS E. ROBERTS CEMETERY FUND

Principal of Fund — $500.00			
Balance in Savings Account Feb. 1, 1947		$	567.45
Received interest on same			5.74
		$	573.19
Paid for care of lots	$ 10.00		
Paid for U. S. Series G Bond	500.00		
			510.00
Balance in Sav. Acct. Feb. 1, 1948		$	63.19

This fund was invested in a savings account at the Orange County Branch of the National White River Bank but on Jan. 22, 1948, this sum was withdrawn and invested in a U. S. Series G Bond paying 2½%, dated Jan. 1948, No. D2838080G.

TOWNSEND FUND FOR CARE OF STREET TO HIGHLAND CEMETERY

Principal of Fund — $803.36.

Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1947	$	3.00
Received interest on Sav. Acct.		12.07
	$	15.07
Paid Edwin Pierce for work		4.75
Balance in Sav. Acct. Feb. 1, 1948	$	10.32

This fund has been invested in a savings account at the Orange County Branch of the National White River Bank but on January 22, 1948, $800.00 was withdrawn and invested in U. S. Bonds bearing 2½% interest, leaving $3.36, the balance of the fund, in the savings account. Bonds are all dated Jan. 1948, No. D2838081G for $500., Nos. C4990164G, C4990165G, and C4989765G, for $100 each.

ADA HALL JACKSON FUND FOR THE CARE OF TREES ON HIGHLAND AVENUE

Principal of Fund — $500.00.

On hand in Sav. Acct. Feb. 1, 1947		$	518.09
Received interest on same			5.19
		$	523.28
Paid J. B. Hill and W. A. Reed for labor on trees	$ 23.28		
Paid for U. S. Series G Bond	500.00		
			523.28
Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1948			00.00

This fund was deposited in a savings account in the Orange County Branch of the National White River Bank until January 20, 1948, when the fund was withdrawn and invested in a U. S. Series G Bond paying 2½% interest, dated Jan. 1948, No. D2776413G.

REPORT OF CHELSEA LIBRARY AND ALDEN SPEAR MEMORIAL BUILDING

Report of Librarian

The circulation this year was 5,527 books. In addition to the general circulation of books boxes were prepared for reading material in three rural schools.

Receipts

On hand Feb. 1, 1947	$	22.06
Received from fines		24.76
Received from rentals		7.10
Received from discarded and damaged books		2.35
	$	56.27

Expenditures

For supplies and postage	$	8.82
Paid to treasurer		35.90
Box rent		1.80
Extra assistance		7.31
Balance on hand January 31, 1948		2.44
	$	56.27

MISS ESTHER SMITH,
Librarian.

REPORT OF LIBRARY TREASURER

Receipts

Balance on hand at beginning of year	$	8.81
Balance on hand in savings account		193.56
Appropriated by town		250.00
Income from Roberts Fund		150.00
Income from Stow Fund		28.00
Income from Braley Fund		5.00
Rentals (from librarian)		35.90
Repayment of magazine subscription		5.00
Borrowed from Bank ($200.00 less interest)		198.35
Total	$	874.62

Expenditures

Librarian and assistants	$	201.55
Books		202.28
Periodicals		55.65

Janitor	52.25	
Fuel	36.57	
Electric clock and chairs	18.48	
Repairs	18.00	
Supplies and miscellaneous expense	2.25	
Oil heater	130.75	
		717.78
Leaving a balance in Treasurer's hands of $		156.84

But we owe the bank $200.00.

Respectfully submitted,
MARY A. GRIFFIN, Treasurer.

We too, miss John M. Comstock, who served on the Board of Trustees since its origin on March 7, 1893. Previous to that time the library and its funds had been managed by the Selectmen.

Miss Rachel Comstock resigned as librarian on January 1, 1948 after 20 years of faithful service. We miss her, but were fortunate in obtaining the services of Miss Esther Smith, who has been appointed to take her place.

A new oil burning circulating heater was installed in the early part of the Winter. We still have on hand for sale the wood and coal burning heater. The floors of the library were refinished in varnish and wax last Spring.

Many new children's books have been added during the past year. Children are invited to use the facilities of the library. We have made their corner a bit more homey with two small chintz covered chairs.

For the past few years it has been necessary to spend more than our income. The interest received from trust funds is only about 1/3 what it was at one time and our expenses are more. We have had to dip into our meagre savings to make ends meet. The savings are now gone and we had to borrow money to finish out the year. We will ask the town to appropriate $500.00 for the coming year.

MARY A. GRIFFIN,
NELLIE S. HOOD,
O. FAY ALLEN, JR.,
MAURICE S. BICKNELL,
Trustees.

TAXES ABATED

Eugene Bedard	1944 Poll Tax	$ 6.52	
	1944 Property Tax	13.02	
			19.27
Arthur and Marjorie O'Donnell,			
	1944 Poll Tax	6.25	
	1945 Poll Tax	6.25	
	1946 2 Poll Taxes	13.50	
			26.00
Gordon Perry, 1946 Poll Tax			6.75
Hoyt Battey, 1947 Poll Tax (error)			7.27
			$ 59.29

REPORT OF DOGS LICENSED BY TOWN CLERK

157 dogs were licensed and after fees were deducted $387.45 was turned over to the Town Treasurer.

CHELSEA COMMUNITY CLUB AND BOARD OF TRADE FUND

On October 10, 1944, the sum of $204.66 was turned over to the Town of Chelsea, the income from which was to be used for the care of the commons. Of this amount, $200.00 was invested in U. S. Bonds and $4.66 was entered on the Treasurer's cash book for care of commons. Balance of this fund is $200.00 represented by two bonds of $100.00 each, numbered C3099259 and C3099260.

O. FAY ALLEN, Town Treasurer.

LEASE LAND

Received from Parsonage Right

S. C. Wilson	$ 12.00
W. A. Reed	10.00
W. L. Root	19.96
E. W. Sprague	14.68
Mrs. C. B. Fletcher	1.86
	$ 58.50

Division of Parsonage Right

United Church	$	39.00
West Hill Church		19.50

Received for School Right

H. W. Armstrong	$	11.00
P. J. Heath		4.75
W. E. Burbank		4.50
Flint Bros. Lumber Co.		6.25
V. R. Longley		1.50
Richard Kennedy		3.00
E. H. Colby		.75
Harold C. Camp		.50
	$	32.25

All lease land rents are paid to date.

REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR

C. C. Liese, Collector

	Uncollected Feb. 1, '47	Collected	Uncollected Feb. 1, '48
1936 Polls	$ 9.88		9.88
1939 Property	12.47		12.47
1940 Property	39.81	1.20	38.61
1941 Property	24.71		24.71
1941 Polls	6.30	6.30	
1942 Property	12.86	12.86	
1942 Polls	12.60		12.60
1943 Property	38.06	15.75	22.31
1943 Polls	12.50		12.50
1944 Property	145.16	63.15	82.01
1944 Polls	26 62	12.50	14.12
1945 Property	186.66	37.45	149.21
1945 Polls	31.25	6.25	25.00
1946 Property	1,205.56	661.82	543.74
1946 Polls	195.75	135.00	60.75
1947 Property	27,829.22	26,129.17	1,700.05
1947 Polls	3,475.06	3,206.07	268.99
Totals	$33,264.47	30,287.52	2,976.95

Delinquent Taxes

Feb. 1, 1948

Ashley, Cora A.—1946 Poll			$ 6.75
Austin, Irene M. and Ernest G.			
1947 Property	$	47.70	
1947 Property		57.24	
			104.94
Ackerman, Gertrude M.—1947 Property			1.20
Berry, Harold E.—1940 Property			15.20
Blakeney, David and Madeline A. 1947 Prop.			7.16
Blaman, Orlando J.			
1946 Poll	$	6.75	
1947 Poll		7.27	
			14.02
Braman, Wallace H.—1947 Poll			7.27
Cahill, Robert—1947 Poll			7.27
Coburn, Ralph H. and Anna S.—1947 Prop.			138.10
Davis, Allie H. Estate			
1944 Property	$	11.25	
1945 Property		14.07	
1945 Poll		6.25	
1946 Property		4.25	
1947 Property		4.77	
			40.59
Dickerman, Harold E.			
1945 Poll	$	6.25	
1946 Poll		6.75	
1947 Poll		7.27	
1947 Property		15.51	
			35.78
Dickerman, George Estate			
1939 Property	$	5.79	
1940 Property		16.21	
1941 Property		17.11	
1944 Property		16.88	
1945 Property		12.19	
1946 Property		13.81	
			81.99
Downing, Edgar R. and Lillian—2 1946 Polls			13.50
Downing, Byron and Lillian			
2 1936 Polls	$	9.88	
2 1942 Polls		12.60	
			22.48

Dukette, Alma E.—1947 Poll			7.27
Eastman, Everett C. and Elizabeth M.			
2 1947 Polls	$	14.54	
1947 Property		9.54	
			24.08
Fletcher, Allen M.—1947 Property			19.08
Fletcher, Chas. B. Est.			
1945 Property	$	1.32	
1946 Property		11.69	
1947 Property		13.13	
			26.14
Gardner, John R. and Ruth E.			
1946 Property	$	1.28	
1947 Property		9.54	
			10.82
Goss, Wm. C.—1947 Poll			7.27
Goodrich, Jos. A.—1947 Property			14.55
Hill, Lloyd and Alice M.			
2 1946 Polls	$	13.50	
2 1947 Polls		14.54	
1947 Property		7.16	
			35.20
Hill, Arthur E.—1947 Property			2.39
Holmes, Hazel D.			
1944 Poll	$	6.25	
1945 Poll		6.25	
1946 Poll		6.75	
1947 Poll		7.27	
1947 Property		56.09	
			82.61
Hale, Daniel T. and Elda			
2 1947 Polls	$	14.54	
1947 Property		9.54	
			24.08
Holmes, Lester M.—1947 Poll			7.27
Holmes, Lottie G.—1947 Poll			7.27
Hull, Horace W. and Alice—1947 Property			38.16
Howe, Frederick and Ethelyn G.			
1947 Poll	$	7.27	
1947 Property		71.55	
			78.82
Kezer, Eva—1946 Property			2.13

Kennedy, Raymond and Angelia			
1944 Property	$	19.13	
1944 Poll		1.62	
			20.75
Kuchensky, Peter—1946 Property			23.38
Kill, Harrison and Edith—1947 Property			14.31
Little, Emma W. Est. and E. B. Hatch			
1946 Property	$	54.00	
1947 Property		4.77	
1947 Property		81.09	
			139.86
Luce, Ernest E. and Lizzie L.—1947 Prop.			86.53
Lyon, Ralph O.			
1946 Property	$	17.85	
1947 Poll		7.27	
1947 Property		26.48	
			51.60
Lyford, George D.—1947 Property			33.39
Ladd, Orrville			
1947 Poll	$	7.27	
1947 Property		7.16	
			14.43
Libby, Paul D.			
1947 Poll	$	7.27	
1947 Property		138.33	
			145.60
Lyon, Clyde W. and Lyla A.			
2 1947 Polls	$	14.54	
1947 Property		8.36	
			22.90
Melvin, Winona			
1946 Property	$	92.86	
1947 Property		106.85	
			199.71
Malone, Francis and Catherine			
2 1947 Polls	$	14.54	
1947 Property		49.61	
			64.15
Mattoon, Warren and Anna—2 1947 Polls			14.54
Magoon, Henry and Goldie—1947 Property			16.50
O'Donnell, Kenneth A.			
1943 Property	$	7.31	
1944 Property		26.25	

1945 Property		26.25	
1946 Property		29.75	
1946 Poll		6.75	
1947 Poll		7.27	
			103.58
O'Donnell, Harry—1947 Poll			7.27
Paul, Myrtie M.— 1943 Property			15.00
Paul, Edward G. and Winifred			
1944 Property	$	8.50	
1945 Property		15.00	
1946 Property		17.00	
1947 Property		19.08	
			59.58
Perkins, Mark C.			
1946 Property	$	34.00	
1947 Property		38.16	
			72.16
Pratt, Elmer D. and Olive			
1946 Property	$	68.00	
2 1947 Polls		14.54	
1947 Property		76.32	
			158.86
Preston, Anita B.—1947 Poll			7.27
Perkins, Carl R.—1947 Poll			7.27
Rathurn, Mary J. Heirs			
1939 Property	$	6.68	
1940 Property		7.20	
1941 Property		7.60	
			21.48
Reed, John A.—1947 Poll			7.27
Reynolds, Dr. R. K.—1947 Poll			7.27
Russell, Earl M. and Stella L.—1947 Prop.			32.00
Sanborn, Clyde G.			
1946 Property	$	23.50	
1947 Property		66.78	
			90.28
Scott, Francis J. and Barbara			
2 1943 Polls	$	12.50	
1944 Poll		6.25	
1945 Poll		6.25	
			25.00
Shaw, Robert M.—1947 Property			34.34
Slack, Gerald L.—1947 Property			2.15

Sons of Union Veterans—1947 Property		22.67
Svarfvar, Robert A. and Luna		
2 1947 Polls	$ 14.54	
1947 Property	159.09	
		173.63
Scoville, Eva R.—1947 Property		15.03
Scoville, Helena B.—1947 Property		4.11
Thomas, Leonard O.		
1945 Property	$ 8.44	
1946 Property	9.56	
1947 Property	10.74	
		28.74
Warner, Nelson M., Jr.—1947 Property		16.70
Whipple, Winifred and Mabel S.		
1945 Property	$ 71.94	
1946 Property	140.68	
2 1947 Polls	14.54	
1947 Property	107.09	
		334.25

SCHOOL DIRECTORS' REPORT

For School Year July 1, 1946 to June 30, 1947

Receipts

Balance on hand July 1, 1946	$ 28.80
Rec'd from St. Treas., Vocational Education	250.31
Rec'd from St. Treas., State School Aid	7,759.15
Rent of Schoolhouse No. 8, Leland Richards	32.00
Income from Roberts School Fund	740.00
School Tax	11,226.43
Lease Land Rent	32.25
American Education Press, refund	9.20
Rent of Grammar School Lands	62.82
Tuition	1,075.00
Pupils, for repairs on window	2.81
Rec'd from St. Treas. for School Lunch Equip.	214.84
Money borrowed at bank	8,000.00
Total Receipts	$ 29,433.61
Total Orders Drawn	25,374.04
Balance on hand July 1, 1947	$ 4,059.57

Summary of Expenditures

Teachers	$ 13,819.09
Collector of Internal Revenue	682.80
Transportation	2,134.02
Fuel	969.16
Lights	116.28
Repairs	687.62
Supplies	2,361.71
Books	597.98
Insurance	169.88
Superintendent	911.08
Directors' services and expenses	107.64
Music	176.27
Coaching basketball	99.50
Telephone	44.49
Janitors' services	1,301.50
Labor	478.27
Health examinations	310.00
Int. at bank and bank charges	84.88
Miscellaneous	321.87
Total Orders Drawn	$ 25,374.04

Reconciliation of Balance

Balance as per Treas. report June 30, 1947	$ 4,077.01
Less outstanding orders	17.44
Unexpended school funds	$ 4,059.57

COMPARATIVE DEBT STATEMENT

Year as of June 30:	
1943 net balance	$ 142.24
1944 net balance	965.09
1945 net balance	2,270.20
1946 net balance	28.80
1947 net debt	3,940.43

ITEMIZED EXPENSES

July 1, 1946 to June 30, 1947
Village School

Salaries—	
A. W. House	$ 2,549.60

Katherine Whitney		1,500.00
Frances Ladd		1,472.80
Elmer C. Roberts		1,207.20
Beatrice Coburn		1,220.00
Mary Walker		1,220.00
Ruth Martin		1,165.20
Etta Giles		15.00
Janitor		1,200.00
Lights		71.28
Fuel		724.16
Transportation—		
Charles Burgess	$ 475.25	
Glen Button	81.20	
Robert Ainsworth	53.79	
Earl Russell	32.28	
John Doyle	71.10	
Clifford Ryder	89.28	
Albion Jones	39.12	
Agnes Lyon	9.40	
		851.42
Music		176.27
Coaching basketball		99.50
Telephone		44.49
Total		$ 13,516.92

Meadowbrook School (No. 1)

Teacher, Florence Kennedy		$ 495.31
Teacher, Bessie Stender		636.18
Janitor's service		36.50
Transportation—		
Edgar Hook	$ 640.00	
John Larkin	49.75	
Warren Mattoon	30.65	
Vernon Hook	11.20	
Laurence Myers	7.00	
		738.60
Lights		15.00
Wood		20.00
Total		$ 1,941.59

Barre Road School (No. 5)

Teacher, Eunice Burbank	$ 1,165.20
Janitor, Wm. Melvin	30.00
Lights	15.00
Wood	100.00
Transportation, Ernest Cloud	544.00
Total	$ 1,854.20

West Hill School (No. 9)

Teacher, Doris Hill	$ 1,172.60
Janitor, Henry Hale	35.00
Lights	15.00
Wood	20.00
Total	$ 1,242.60

Expenses Applying to All Schools

Superintendence	$ 911.08
Supplies	2,361.71
Repairs	687.62
Insurance	169.88
Books	597.98
Wood	105.00
Directors' services and expenses	107.64
Collector of Internal Revenue	682.80
Labor	478.27
Health examinations	310.00
Miscellaneous	321.87
Total	$ 6,733.85
Int. at bank and bank charges	84.88
	$ 6,818.73

Summary

Village School	$ 13,516.92
No. 1	1,941.59
No. 5	1,854.20
No. 9	1,242.60
All schools	6,818.73
Total	$ 25,374.04

TREASURER'S REPORT

In Account with School Directors from July 1, 1946 to July 1, 1947

Receipts

Balance on hand July 1, 1946		$ 385.62
Rec'd from State Treasurer—		
For Vocational Education	$ 250.31	
For School Aid	7,759.15	
For School Lunches	214.84	
		8,224.30
School Tax		11,226.43
Leland Richard, rent of Schoolhouse No. 8		32.00
Income of Roberts School Fund		740.00
Rent of Grammar School Land		62.82
Repairs paid by grade pupils		2.81
American Education Press, refund		9.20
Lease Land Rentals		32.25
Tuition		1,075.00
Borrowed Money		8,000.00
		$ 29,790.43

Disbursements

Paid Orders Outstanding July 1, 1946	$ 356.82
Paid Current Orders	25,356.60
Total Orders Paid	$ 25,713.42
Balance on hand	$ 4,077.01

Outstanding Orders June 30, 1947

195	June 20, 1947—Philip Myers	$ 7.50
196	June 20, 1947—Mrs. Hanley Ackerman	1.25
198	June 23, 1947—World Book Co.	1.78
201	June 23, 1947—N. E. Tel & Tel. Co.	6.91
		$ 17.44

Expenditures July 1, 1947 to Jan. 31, 1948

Teachers' salaries	$ 8,668.71
Janitor service	810.00
School Directors	130.80
Superintendent	578.77

Retirement Tax	449.24
Music	120.00
Transportation	1,428.96
Collector of Internal Revenue	862.80
Fuel	270.64
Repairs	124.69
Supplies	1,221.88
Books	353.96
ights	57.76
Telephone	31.22
Insurance	190.18
Borrowed money repaid	8,000.00
Labor	269.17
Miscellaneous	268.57
Total	$ 23,837.35

TREASURER'S REPORT

School Account July 1, 1947 to Feb. 1, 1948

Receipts

On hand July 1, 1947		$ 4,077.01
July 31	Mrs. Cogswell, tuition	75.00
	Veterans Administration, tuition	75.00
Sept. 25	State Treas., school aid	5,883.32
1948		
Jan. 2	Chelsea Fire District, 2 pumps	70.00
	C. C. Liese, Coll., 1947 tax	15,782.53
12	Income from Roberts School Fund	870.00
	State Treas., balance school aid	5,883.31
	Lease land rent	32.25
		$ 32,748.42

Disbursements

Paid School Directors' orders	$ 23,198.64	
Paid bank service charges	2.22	
		23,200.86
Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1948		9,547.56
		$ 32,748.42

Outstanding Orders Feb. 1, 1948

438	Jan. 12, 1948—A. C. Parker	$ 165.36
455	Jan. 19, 1948—Coll. Int. Revenue	338.90
464	Jan. 24, 1948—Chelsea Job Press	10.50
465	Jan. 24, 1948—Chelsea Lumber Co.	10.00
467	Jan. 27, 1948—Albion Jones	16.92
468	Jan. 27, 1948—Agnes Lyon	12.30
469	Jan. 27, 1948—Clifford Ryder	39.18
471	Jan. 27, 1948—Robert Ainsworth	23.27
474	Jan. 27, 1948—Angier Edwards	37.50
		$ 653.93

PROPOSED BUDGET

July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949

Expenditures

Teachers	$ 21,000.00
Janitors (includes summer cleaning)	1,600.00
School Directors	120.00
Superintendent	1,130.00
Music	300.00
Transportation	3,000.00
Fuel	1,200.00
Repairs	1,100.00
Supplies	2,500.00
Books	500.00
Lights	180.00
Telephone	50.00
Insurance	190.00
Labor	600.00
Debt reduction (caused by bonus)	1,000.00
Int. on borrowed money	100.00
Miscellaneous	430.00
Total	$ 35,000.00
Estimated Receipts	14,300.00
Amount to be raised by tax	$ 21,700.00

Estimated Receipts

State Treasurer	$ 12,000.00

Roberts Fund	870.00
Tuition	1,400.00
Lease Land	30.00
	$ 14,300.00

REPORT OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS

February 1, 1948

To the Voters of the Town of Chelsea:

The School Board feels that a tax rate of $3.50 is the minimum needed to operate the schools from July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949. Most of this increase can be attributed to higher salaries and increased transportation costs. Also for the last two years we have run behind about $4,000.00 and in time this deficit will have to be paid up. The teacher bonus voted last year carried no appropriation so will have to be paid for this year.

Our hot lunch program which is rated as one of the best for the size of our school was aided by a new stove and a refrigerator during the past year. The cost to us was only about 1/3 of the market price due to a special deal available to schools. This program will probably have to have more public support as time goes on due to changes in Federal policy.

A reduction in the cost of the health examination was made by cooperation with the Vermont Department of Public Health. This also gave us a better and more complete check up on our children and will provide for follow up work where needed.

More efficient and satisfactory heating of Meadow Brook School No. 1 has been achieved by the installation of a new oil burner.

Rural schools, numbers 8 and 10, are still closed but we are able to drawn state aid on them.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANKLIN D. BURBANK,
F. E. DWINELL,
FRED DICKINSON,
School Directors.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

To the Board of School Directors and
Citizens of Chelsea:

This report is for the school year ending June 30, 1947, and is a part of the report of the Board of School Directors required by law.

Three one-teacher schools and the four-teacher village graded school were maintained for thirty-five weeks. The three-teacher high school was maintained for thirty-six weeks. The average number of pupils enrolled in the elementary schools was 162 and in the high school 61. The average daily attendance was for elementary 145.90, and for high school 54.55. The average cost per pupil was $129.20 for elementary schools and $121.41 for high school. Thirty-four elementary school pupils were transported at an average cost of $62.76.

The total number of elementary school pupils enrolled was 168. One hundred forty-five were promoted, 12 were promoted conditionally, four were not promoted, and 7 transferred to other schools. In the high school there were 61 pupils enrolled. Forty-nine were promoted, 7 were promoted conditionally, 2 were not promoted, 1 transferred to another school, and 2 dropped out of school. The number of children with physical defects reported by teachers were: vision 30, teeth 76, nose and throat 37, heart 2, and lungs 1. The number of corrections reported were: vision 20, teeth 5, and nose and throat 1. The law now makes compulsory the annual testing of vision and hearing by teachers or a medical examiner.

The spirit and work of the high school has been greatly improved by the employment of an additional teacher. The present arrangement has relieved an almost impossible situation and should be continued. The enrollment at the Meadow Brook school increased to 27 in September, 1947. This was too large a number to be cared for satisfactorily with the available facilities. Some of the pupils were transferred to the village school. An oil burner was installed in the furnace and other improvements were contemplated. This school is eligible for aid from the state to the extent of one-

half the cost of approved improvements of the property.

The condition and needs of the schools are serious everywhere. There is danger that equality of educational opportunity may be lost in many of the smaller towns of the state. An increasing proportion of the financial resources of the people is being taken away by the larger tax areas each year than is being returned to them to carry on their local public business. The relative financial condition of the less fortunate families makes them less able to provide adequate food, medical necessities, and suitable and regular transportation for their children of school age. Competition for the services of professionally qualified teachers has taken away more than one-half of such people from the one and two-teacher schools. A state Council of Education has recently been formed, at the invitation of the State Board of Education, to help with problems growing out of these conditions.

The situation affecting the schools in nearly every town is critical and demands that the best thought of every interested person be directed toward the resulting problems. Such effort could be made effective through a Citizens' Committee or Local Education Council, like the State Council, to study problems and report practical solutions to the local school authorities. Councils of this kind are being formed throughout the state and these groups of interested people, acting upon the invitation of the Board of School Directors, are giving invaluable service to the cause of education.

I am grateful to the school directors, parents, teachers, community organization and townspeople for their support.

Respectfully submitted,

A. COURTNEY PARKER,

Superintendent of Schools.

CHELSEA VITAL STATISTICS
January 1, 1947 to December 31, 1947

Births

Jan. 6—Holmes, James Myron, son to Robert C. and Lottie (Parker) in Barre.

Jan. 11—Maynard, Beverly June, dau. to Byron B. and Doris B. (Ploof) in Barre

Feb. 24—Burbank, Michael Eddy, son to Clinton A. and Norma M. (Eddy) in Barre.

Feb. 24—Ahokas, Cheryl Ann, dau. to Emil A. and Jean M. (Linscott) in Barre.

Mar. 8—Hill, Roger William, son to Lloyd H. and Alice M. (Valley) in Barre.

Mar. 16—Pike, Paul Fordyce, son to Almont S. and Ruby F. (Gates) in Barre.

Mar. 25—Lamson, Karl Frank, son to Everett C. and Karlene N. (Stimson) in Barre.

Mar. 28—Hayward, Clarence Frederick, son to John M. and Edith G. (Carey) in Barre.

Mar. 29—Hook, Elizabeth Christine, dau. to Vernon N. and Eva M. (Rich) in Barre.

Apr.16—Malone, Peter Domonic III, son to Francis J. and Catherine M. (Dermoody) in Barre.

May 4—Howe, Ethelyn Grace, dau. to Frederick A. and Ethelyn G. (Gray) in Barre.

May 5—Lyford, Douglas Alan, son to George C. and Thelma (Burbank) in Barre.

May 10—Paul, Steve Bruce, son to Edward G. and Winifred V. (Stone) in Barre.

May 14—Russell, Ernest Earl, son to Earl M. and Stella B. (Lyon) in Barre.

May 19—Carey, Michael Julian, son to Morton J. and Lois I. (Slack) in Randolph.

May 24—Kennedy, Jean Frances, dau. to Richard and Florence M. (Densmore) in Barre.

June 1—Burgess, Judith Karen, dau. to Lawrence W. and Ruth E. (Orr) in Burlington.

June 10—Doyle, Thomas John, son to Leo F. and Betty P. (Mears) in Montpelier.

June 19—Hayward, Norman Ned, son to Harold W. and Marie R. (Brooks) in Barre.

June 28—Felch, Sheila Ferne, dau. to Neal A. and Janice M. (MacKeil) in Barre.

July 20—Brown, Sandra Lee, dau. to Richard S. and Mary E. (Tucker) in Barre.

July 29—Osmer, Swanee Alea, dau. to Harold E. and Ethel (Bowley) in Barre.

Sept. 2—McCullough, Sheila Margaret, dau. to Archie E. Jr. and Elizabeth S. M. (Roberts) in Barre.

Sept. 27—Holmes, Andrea Kay, dau. to Lester M. and Kathervn Mae (Cilley) in Barre.

Oct. 14—House, Alan Robert, son to Alfred W. and Margaret L. (Jamieson) in Barre.

Nov. 24—Eddy, Phyllis Myrtle, dau. to Harrison James and Myrtle (Burbank) in Barre.

Nov. 25—Thompson, Francis Lloyd, son to Cecil Charles and Eva Marion (Keyes) in Barre.

Dec. 13—Travers, John Wilmarth, son to Arthur M. and Ruby (Luce) in Barre.

Dec. 20—Philip Harold, son to Harold Henry and Sylvia Ann (Burbank) in Barre.

Deaths

Jan. 8—Colby, Lucy, aged 78 years, 6 months, 23 days (in Barre).

Jan. 24—Colby, George B., aged 91 years, 6 months, 6 days.

Feb. 25—Cole, Burton B., aged 55 years, 19 days.

Mar. 6—Chase, George E., aged 54 years, 6 months, 23 days (in Hartford, Vt.).

Mar. 25—DeAlmeida, Carl E. Jr., aged 38 years, 4 months, 25 days.

April 6—Dodge, Edith C., aged 61 years, 7 months, 7 days (in Burlington).

April 16—Kendall, Nelson P., aged 39 years, 10 months, 20 days.

April 20—Richards, Stanley, aged 81 years, 6 months, 2 days.

June 6—Bowin, Ethel R., aged 73 years, 10 months, 2 days.

July 5—Kennedy, Harry W., aged 38 years, 11 months, 19 days (in Groton).

July 5—Kennedy, John Bruce, aged 1 year, 10 months, 23 days (in Groton).

July 10—Gilman, Firman B., aged 82 years, 8 months, 6 days (in Laconia, N. H.).

July 17—Davis, John P., aged 65 years, 7 months, 10 days (in Boston, Mass.).

Aug. 13—Lyon, Ethel J., aged 69 years, 6 months, 23 days (in Barre).

Oct. 2—Davis, Adelena L., aged 46 years, 11 months, 14 days.

Oct. 30—Comstock, John M., aged 88 years, 5 months, 2 days.

Nov. 9—Smith, Alice L. A., aged 83 years, 10 months, 19 days.

Nov. 17—Slack, Julian R., aged 59 years, 11 months, 17 days.

Nov. 19—Sargent, Martha Louise, aged 90 years, 10 months, 1 day (in Waterbury).

Marriages

Jan. 27—Eugene B. Slack of Chelsea and Elsie Mae Cushman of Chelsea.

May 11—Wallace P. Braman of Chelsea and Elaine F. Wilson of Chelsea.

June 1—Cecil C. Thompson of Chelsea and Eva M. Keyes of Brookfield.

Aug. 1—William A. Sampson of Worcester, Mass., and Leonne M. Chaffee of Worcester, Mass.

Aug. 2—George C. Butts of New Bedford, Mass., and Helen J. Mackay of Boston, Mass.

Aug. 9—George A. Edwards of Chelsea and Edna E. Kennelly of Chelsea.

Aug. 30—David A. Niles of Montpelier and Natalie J. Keyser of Chelsea.

Sept. 4—Charles W. Betts of Chelsea and Claradella Snow of Chelsea.

Sept. 21—Robert A. Gray of Chelsea and Hilda C. Jones of Royalton.

Sept. 27—William Emerson of Websterville and Ella M. I. Kennedy of Chelsea.

Nov. 9—Paul E. Titus of Chelsea and Martha Lu Allen of White River Junction.

Nov. 27—Richard Warrington Rogers of Tunbridge and Marion Grace Lyford of Chelsea.

16. To see if the town will vote to fix the rentals of the town hall, and if so, at what amounts.

17. To see if the town will vote to reimburse Arthur C. Button the sum of $41.41, it being taxes collected on a parcel of real estate twice.

18. To vote on these questions:

Shall licenses for the sale of malt and vinous beverages be granted in this town?

Shall spirituous liquors be sold in this town?

19. To see what action the town will take relative to the purchase of a dental unit.

20 To transact any other proper business.

O. E. BURGESS,
ANGIER EDWARDS,
DEAN H. GILMAN,
Selectmen.

Chelsea, Vt., Feb. 14, 1948.

WARNING

The legal voters of the Town and Town School District of Chelsea are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Town Hall in Chelsea on Tuesday, the 2nd day of March, A. D. 1948, at 10:30 o'clock A. M., to act on the following articles:

1. To choose a moderator and town clerk.

2. To receive and act upon the reports of the several town officers.

3. To see if the town will authorize its selectmen to appoint a road commissioner, and if so, whether one or two shall be appointed.

4. To choose all necessary officers for the town and town school district for the ensuing term.

5. To see what amount of tax the town school district will vote for the maintenance of schools.

6. To see what amount of tax the town will vote for the maintenance of highways.

7. To raise money to pay the indebtedness of the town and current expenses for the ensuing year.

8. To see if the town will authorize its selectmen to borrow money from time to time when necessary to carry on the business of the town.

9. To see if the town will vote to place its tax bills in the hands of the Town Treasurer for collection.

10. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money for the support of the Chelsea Public Library, and if so, how much.

11. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money for the observance of Memorial day, and if so, how much.

12. To see if the town will authorize its selectmen to contract with Chelsea Fire District No. 1 for fire protection of buildings and other property of the town outside said Fire District and within the town for the year beginning April 1, 1948.

13. To see if the town will vote to collect taxes on real and personal property in installments.

14. To see if the town will vote to fix the compensation of town officers, and if so, how mnch.

15. To see if the town will vote to have its fiscal year end December 31, 1948.

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Chelsea, Vermont

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BRING YOUR REPORT TO TOWN MEETING

Chelsea Job Press, Printers, Chelsea, Vt.

Town Officers 1948-1949.

Moderator,		F. Ray Keyser
Clerk,		Esther Smith
	Angier M. J. Edwards	Term expires 1949
Selectmen,	Dean H. Gilman	Term expires 1950
	Oliver E. Burgess	Term expires 1951
Treasurer,		Esther Smith
Overseer of Poor,		Selectmen
Road Commissioner,		George D. Lyford
Constables,	W. Sidney Gilman,	Chauncey C. Liese
Collector of Taxes,		Chauncey C. Liese
	George Bradshaw	Term expires 1949
Listers,	Berthold C. Coburn	Term expires 1950
	Percy J. Heath	Term expires 1951
	Frank W. Button,	Term expires 1949
Trustees of Public Money,	Mrs. G. E. Chase,	Term expires 1950
	H. L. Hayward,	Term expires 1951
	*I. S. Rushworth	Term expires 1949
School Directors,	Fred C. Dickinson	Term expires 1950
	F. D. Burbank	Term expires 1951
	David Gilman	Term expires 1949
Auditors,	E. Harold Colby	Term expires 1950
	*Ray Keyser	Term expires 1951
	Mary A. Griffin	Term expires 1949
	Nellie S. Hood	Term expires 1950
Trustees of Public Library,	O. Fay Allen, Jr.	Term expires 1951
	M. S. Bicknell	Term expires 1952
	Martha Ordway	Term expires 1953
Superintendent of Schools,		A. C. Parker
Clerk of School Board,		Fred C. Dickinson
Town Grand Jurors	O. Fay Allen, Jr.,	W. Sidney Gilman
Town Agent,		O. Fay Allen, Jr.
Surveyor of Wood and Lumber,		William A. Reed
Fence Viewers,	George P. Bradshaw,	Sabin T. Densmore
Weigher of Coal,		Henry F. Gates
Pound Keeper,		Everett F. Spear
Supervisor Old Age Assistance		O. Fay Allen
	*E. Harold Colby,	Term expires 1949
	S. C. Wilson	Term expires 1950
Cemetery Commissioners,	Edward B. Hatch	Term expires 1951
	Percy J. Heath	Term expires 1952
	O. Fay Allen	Term expires 1953

*Appointed

TOWN OF CHELSEA, VT.

1948-1949

Population 1,007 (last census) Area 23,818 acres Altitude, 840 feet. Miles of highways, 92.90 of which 10 miles is State Highway.

Real and personal grand list	$ 6,092.94
Polls, 461	461.00
Total grand list	$ 6,553.94

Comparative Statements

Year	Grand List	Tax Rate
1944	$6,220.90	$3.75
1945	6,313.84	3.75
1946	6,236.91	4.25
1947	6,313.01	4.77
1948	6,553.94	5.77

Total Tax Raised

(School Tax and Old Age Assistance Included)

	Amount Raised
1944	$24,473.38
1945	24,773.71
1946	27,677.11
1947	31,304.28
1948	39,008.00

TOWN ACCOUNT

Assets—What We Own

(Real estate and personal property not included)

Uncollected taxes		$ 3,313.53
U. S. War Bonds (sale of cannon)		37.50
Cash on hand		
General Town account	$ 2,686.63	
Unselected Roads account	1.49	
General Highway account	664.83	
State Aid	24.87	
Dental Unit	.58	
		3,378.40
		$ 6,729.43

Liabilities — What We Owe

On notes at bank—Selectmen	$ 10,000.00
Outstanding orders	830.35
On note at bank for gymnasium	1,000.00
	$ 11,830.35
Feb. 1, 1949, excess of liabilities over assets, net indebtedness	$ 5,100.92
Feb. 1, 1948, excess of liabilities over assets	6,598.40

(The Selectmen reduced their notes at the bank from $12,000.00 to $10,000.00 this year).

INVENTORY OF TOWN PROPERTY

(Real estate listed as per listers' appraisal)

Real Estate—		
Laird farm	$ 1,000.00	
Garage	1,500.00	
Town forest	50.00	
Town hall	10,000.00	
Town barn	300.00	
		$12,850.00
Office equipment	$ 200.00	
Town hall equipment	200.00	
Road machine	150.00	
Chains, tools, wrenches, etc.	150.00	
3 Indian pack pumps	25.00	
Tractors and plows	9,000.00	
Ford truck	200.00	
Barco drill and drills	300.00	
		10,225.00
Material and supplies on hand—		
Lumber and posts	$ 175.00	
Fuel oil, lub. oil and grease	175.00	
Wood at town hall and garage	165.00	
		515.00
Total		$ 23,590.00

School Property

School building in District No. 1	1,000.00
School building in District No. 2	4,000.00
Athletic field	500.00

School building in District No. 5	1,000.00	
School building in District No. 8	500.00	
School building in District No. 9	1,000.00	
School building in District No. 10	800.00	
		$ 8,800.00
Equipment, furniture, etc.		500.00
Books and supplies		500.00
Total		$ 9,800.00
Total value of Town property		$ 23,590.00
Total value of school property		9,800.00
Grand total		$ 33,390.00

TREASURER'S REPORT

General Account

Receipts

Balance on hand February 1, 1948		$ 2,861.08
From C. C. Liese, Collector—		
On 1948 list	$ 18,772.63	
Delinquent taxes	1,875.45	
		20,648.08
From State Treasurer—		
Winter roads	$ 1,643.25	
State Aid	5,712.85	
Unselected roads	8,412.14	
Use of equipment	9.00	
Resurfacing	215.03	
		15,992.27
From Selectmen—		
Use of equipment	$ 676.50	
Resurfacing	107.52	
		784.02
Hire of bulldozer		520.16
Hire of jackhammer		17.75
Hire of snow plow		25.00
Town of Washington, plowing		93.25
Sale of lumber		818.53
Interest on bonds		7.88
Liquor license		25.00

Rent of hall	346.00
Dog licenses	391.15
Edith Burgess, dental unit	512.35
Rent of garage	2.50
Refund on wages overpaid	27.37
Refund on salt	47.60
George Lyford, Road Commissioner	887.61
Miscellaneous	2.00
Borrowed Money	17,000.00
Gravel sold	47.14
Culvert sold	28.00
Posts sold	18.07
Dynamite and caps sold	16.98
Old iron sold	5.00
Stone sold	15.00
Lease land rents	58.50
Total Receipts	$ 61,198.29

Disbursements

Paid Selectmen's orders—		
General account	$ 30,682.02	
Unselected highway	8,537.29	
Cutting bushes	61.20	
Snow roads	1,092.19	
State aid	6,587.86	
Resurfacing	322.55	
		$ 47,283.11
Paid Road Commissioners' orders		6,419.08
Paid Overseers' orders		3,601.36
Paid on dental unit		511.77
Total disbursements		$ 57,815.32
Cash on hand February 1, 1949		3,382.97
		$ 61,198.29

Outstanding Orders

General Account—	
No. 766—Dec. 31, 1948, Dr. L. R. Lezer	$ 137.96
No. 783—Jan. 20, 1949, Jack Kennedy	2.50
No. 788—Jan. 22, 1949, Arthur and Marion Button	40.39

No. 796—Jan. 26, 1949, Lawrence and Howard Allen		6.00
No. 799—Jan. 29, 1949, Robbins & Robbins		5.94
No. 801—Jan. 29, 1949, Dwight McCullough		15.00
No. 802—Jan. 31, 1949, C. C. Liese, Coll.		28.50
	$	236.29
General Highway—		
No. 481—April 20, 1948, Ernest Luce	$	8.00
No. 543—Jan. 31, 1949, Treas. Town of Chelsea		332.00
	$	340.00
Snow Roads—		
No. 797—Jan. 29, 1949, Jack Kennedy	$	45.00
No. 800—Jan. 29, 1949, E. H. Kennedy		8.50
	$	53.50
Overseer's Account—		
No. 559—Jan. 14, 1949, Town of Thetford	$	200.56

SELECTMEN'S REPORT AND SUGGESTIONS

The indebtedness of the town during the past year has been reduced. There still is quite a sum tied up in delinquent taxes and we would especially urge those voters who are delinquent to pay, it will save interest. After consideration of a budget for the coming year, we decided that it contains items upon which figures we might suggest would not be accurate. We recommend for the coming year the same tax as last year to pay running expenses and reduce the debt.

ANGIER EDWARDS,
D. H. GILMAN,
O. E. BURGESS,
Selectmen

SELECTMEN'S ACCOUNT

Summary of Orders Drawn

Town Officers	$	1,244.26
Primary and Elections		121.10
Snow Plows		696.59
Bridges		170.08

Bridge Planks	227.65
Jack Hammer	38.93
Appropriation	650.00
Insurance	161.84
Town Hall and Clerk's Office	1,123.22
Streets	375.00
Commons	76.40
Road Machines	286.54
Taxes Assessed	2,300.01
Borrowed Money	19,000.00
Interest	403.38
Truck	991.90
Tractors and Bulldozer	1,553.43
Miscellaneous	1,369.09
	$ 30,789.42

Town Officers

F. Ray Keyser, auditor and postage	$ 35.40
E. H. Colby, auditor	26.00
David Gilman, auditor	30.00
Richard Betts, tax collector	41.75
C. C. Liese, tax collector	370.34
P. J. Heath, lister	75.00
B. C. Coburn, lister	75.20
George Bradshaw, lister	75.00
O. Fay Allen, Sr., Town Clerk and postage	27.66
Dr. L. R. Lezer, health officer	137.96
O. Fay Allen, Jr., town agent and lawyer	45.00
Esther Smith, treasurer	125.00
L. T. Welch, acting overseer	75.00
Esther Smith, Town Clerk	29.85
Bonds for Treasurer and Tax Collector	75.00
	$ 1,244.26

Primary and Election

Chelsea Job Press	$ 49.50
R. H. Betts, presiding officer	4.00
C. C. Liese, presiding officer	4.00
Esther Smith, town clerk	8.00
H. O. Cole, clerk	8.00
W. C. Galvin, clerk	8.00

O. F. Allen, Sr., clerk		8.00
Alice Edwards, clerk		8.00
Minnie Goodwin, assisting clerk		8.00
Winona Melvin, assisting clerk		8.00
O. Fay Allen, Sr., assisting absent voters		2.00
John Bellefuielle, assisting absent voters		2.00
O. F. Allen, Jr., advertising		3.60
	$	121.10

Snow Plows

O. E. Burgess, labor, cash paid for bolts, batteries and express	$	4.50
Casellini-Venable Corp., parts		130.66
Casellini-Venable Corp., one way plow		475.00
Messier Body Shop, repairs		7.55
St. Johnsbury Trucking Co., freight on parts		1.08
G. D. Lyford, labor		21.60
Jack Kennedy, labor		30.00
Maurice Kennedy, labor		11.20
Dwight McCoullough, labor		15.00
	$	696.59

Bridges

Ernest Royce, labor	$	23.20
G. D. Lyford, labor		29.48
G. K. Cushman, labor		4.00
Everett Eastman, labor		10.00
W. A. Reed, labor		3.20
O. E. Burgess, labor, use of truck and spikes		41.20
Arthur Clough, stringers, labor, self and team		30.00
H. O. Ladd, stringers		25.00
Esther Smith, treas., use of town truck		4.00
	$	170.08

Bridge Plank

W. S. Gilman, cutting hemlocks, Laird farm	$	35.00
Geo. Darcier, skidding, trucking, sawing and stacking		152.65

Esther Smith, treas., hemlock from Laird farm		40.00
	$	227.65

Jack Hammer

Trow & Holden's, sharpening drills	$	20.75
Casellini-Venable Corp., oil, springs, gasket,		18.18
	$	38.93

Appropriations

Mary A. Griffin, treas. Chel. Public Library	$	500.00
W. A. Reed, Memorial Day Observance		50.00
E. B. Hatch, treas., Fire protection outside C. F. D. No. 1		100.00
	$	650.00

Insurance

O. Fay Allen, Sr., Vt. Mutual Fire Ins. Co.	$	103.04
Edward H. Peet, Farmers' Co-op. Fire Ins. Co.		4.00
Merle G. Colby, Union Mutual Fire Ins. Co.		13.20
F. Ray Keyser, Gr. Mut. Fire Ins. Co.		41.60
	$	161.84

Town Hall and Clerk's Office

Fred Neff, furnace	$	75.00
W. S. Gilman, wood		308.50
Elmer Pratt, repair of chimney		27.00
Chelsea Lumber Co., wood		10.00
Oscar Butman, repair of lawn mowers		3.50
F. R. and E. L. Keyser, water rent		12.00
Chelsea Job Press, supplies		3.83
A. C. Coburn, janitor, cash paid for supplies		438.10
Fred Dickinson, supplies		2.50
Naef Hardware, supplies		1.48
Robbins & Robbins, supplies		10.01
A. C. Coburn, labor on furnace		52.70
A. C. Coburn, labor on windows, trees, lawn		80.28
W. S. Gilman, trucking brush		6.50
E. H. Colby, lawn, grass and phosphate		8.40
Central Vt. Public Service, lighting		75.80

E. H. Colby, supplies for furnace		7.62
	$	1,123.22

Streets

Central Vt. Pub. Service Corp., lighting	$	375.00

Commons

A. C. Coburn, raking	$	4.60
O. E. Burgess, raking and use of trucks		24.60
O. E. Burgess, mowing		47.20
	$	76.40

Road Machines

Messier Body Shop, welding and parts	$	248.64
Vermont Road Equipment Co., blades		10.50
Rutland Road Machinery Co., blades		17.00
A. M. Flanders Inc., blades		10.40
	$	286.54

Taxes Assessed

H. W. Mattison, Treas., 2c county tax	$	126.22
C. C. Liese Collector, town taxes		174.54
C. C. Liese Collector, fire tax		5.93
State Treas., assessment of State Highway system		745.71
Vermont Agricultural Extension Service		210.36
State Treasurer, old age assistance		1,037.25
	$	2,300.01

Borrowed Money

Orange County Branch of National White River Bank in Bethel, loans	$	19,000.00

Interest

Orange County Branch of National White River Bank in Bethel	$	403.38

Truck

Kennedy's Garage, labor, parts, oil and gas	$	435.07

Lafley's Garage, labor, parts, oil and gas		197.51
H. F. Gates, gas and oil		283.00
E. H. Colby, gas and oil		8.77
H. N. Sanborn & Son, repair of tires		8.15
G. H. Hayward, wheel		7.00
Motor Vehicle Dept., registration fee		10.00
Farm Bureau Mutual Automobile Ins. Co., Ins.		42.40
	$	991.90

Tractor and Bulldozer

Northeastern Petroleum Co., oil and track grease	$	202.30
Southwestern Petroleum Co., track grease		51.83
I. S. Rushworth, track grease		12.92
Shell Oil Co., fuel oil		46.62
A. F. Sanborn, glass		3.00
H. F. Gates, gas, fuel oil, alcohol, express and freight		170.98
Dwight McCullough, fuel oil and cutting track		50.50
Naef Hardware Co., hose for tank		9.65
Button Bros., prestone		21.00
Casellini Venable Corp., tracks and parts		836.74
Lowell McLeod, bolts		.70
Jack Kennedy, labor		25.50
G. D. Lyford, labor		28.47
W. A. Reed, labor		2.40
Winston Rogers, labor		1.20
G. K. Cushman, labor		5.60
Kenneth Thompson, labor		5.60
Kennedy's Garage, welding		3.60
Fred's Radiator Shop, repairing radiator		28.00
O. E. Burgess, trucking tracks		4.00
Messier Body Shop, welding bulldozer		42.82
	$	1,553.43

Miscellaneous

Ct. Vt. Public Service Corp., lighting garage	$	17.55
Mrs. C. C. Liese, advertising		1.05
The Chelsea Job Press, printing town reports		165.70
The Chelsea Job Press, printing and supplies		31.25
Wheeler and Clark, dog tags		8.93
Arthur C. Button, refund on '41 '42 '43 '44		

'45 taxes	41.41
G. D. Lyford, labor on sewer, trees and posting roads	29.25
W. A. Reed, labor on trees and posting roads	13.60
Tuttle Stationery Co., supplies for town clerk	261.70
John Pagas, repairs of town clock	30.00
John W. Griffith, services of petition Mrs. Nora Braman	1.80
O. Fay Allen, Jr., commitment fees, Mrs. Nora Braman	22.00
Boardway & Cilley, ambulance Mrs. Nora Braman	15.00
Angier Edwards, attending road meeting and mileage	8.40
O. E. Burgess, attending road meeting	5.00
New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co., local service and tolls	66.10
E. H. Colby, tools and supplies	24.30
O. Fay Allen, Jr., fees in case of Miles and Lynn Keyser	9.50
S. T.Welch, fees in case of Miles and Lynn Keyser	7.00
O. E. Burgess, cash paid for spikes, maul bolts, express, etc.	10.91
Esther Smith, reporting communicable diseases	2.00
Jack Kennedy, labor with bulldozer	127.51
O. E. Burgess, mowing and raking old cemetery	13.20
Robbins & Robbins Co., maul handles	1.18
Naef Hardware Co., repair links	2.24
A. M. Flanders, 1-20 ft. culvert	8.00
Esther Smith Treas., post state aid highway	7.00
Kenneth Colby, moving bulldozer	10.00
George Dacier, moving bulldozer	5.00
Charles Betts, labor at Laird Farm	7.20
O. Fay Allen, Jr., (County Clerk) searching records for G. I's.	8.00
International Salt Co., 4 tons salt	47.60
Guy Hood, 5 lengths sewer tile	5.60
O. E. Burgess, labor on sewer	5.20
W. S. Gilman, 1 cord wood for garage	15.00
Hazel D. Flanders, Treas., ministerial money for United Churches	39.00

Eshter Smith, Treas. town's share of re-surfacing on State Aid No. 2	107.52
W. W. Underhill, supplies as per bill	3.58
Collector of Internal Revenue, error on withholding tax Sept. 30.	.20
Treas., West Hill Church, ministerial money	19.50
C. C. Liese, abated taxes	54.09
O. E. Burgess, postage (chairman board Selectmen)	7.95
Laurence & Howard Allen, mowing and raking Lincoln and Allen Cemeteries	6.00
O. Fay Allen, Sr., services on old age assistance applications and postage	7.18
O. E. Burgess, man and truck and helper moving lumber from garage to town barn, hauling leaves and rubbish from Town Hall	15.60
D. H. Gilman, 1 day of Laird Farm and mileage on sheep killing	7.90
Arthur and Marion Button, reimbursement of error in tax inventory	40.39
Wilson and Keyser, legal service, Coburn and Slack roads	5.00
	$ 1,369.09

DENTAL UNIT — TREASURER'S REPORT

Receipts

Contributions	$ 512.35

Paid Out

S. S. White Dental Mfg. Co.	$ 500.00
Naef Hardware Co., fixtures	11.77
	$ 511.77
Balance on hand	$ .58

There is a balance of $466.55 owed to White Dental Equipment Co. of Boston.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Our Town highway system comprises 92.90 miles of roads, divided as follows: 8.0 miles "state aid" highway. 10.75 miles "state" highway and 74.15 miles "Town" highway. The state highway is the highway from Tunbridge Town line to the Washington Town line and from the junction at the Bank Block to the Vershire line. The state aid highways are the roads from Densmore's corner to the Brookfield Town line above Irving Hood's and from the junction near James Kennedy's to the Arthur Bacon place and from the Strafford bridge to the Tunbridge Town line on the Strafford road. The balance are Town highways.

General Highway Account

George D. Lyford, Road Commissioner

Money Available

Balance Feb. 1, 1948	$	138.09
Town Tax of $1.00		6,733.94
Dynamite and caps sold		16.98
Total available	$	6,889.01
Total Orders Drawn		6,564.18
Balance Feb. 1, 1949	$	324.83

General Highway

George Cushman, labor	$	451.90
O. E. Burgess, labor and truck		495.90
Dan Hale, labor with team		127.20
Robert Holmes, labor		4.80
Ed. Paul, labor with team		65.20
Bert Hill, labor		19.20
Mark Dunbar, labor		44.40
Kenneth Thompson, labor		356.50
Herbert G. Lyford, labor with tractor		141.95
Charles Lyford, labor		12.80
Walter Grant, labor with team		128.80
W. A. Reed, labor		154.80
B. A. Goodrich, labor		3.20
Ernest Royce, labor		409.50
Everett Eastman, labor		181.60

Jack Kennedy, labor	42.01
Frank Gates, labor with team	19.20
Lionel Roberts, labor with team	91.60
Jack Densmore, labor with team	41.60
Elmer Woodworth, labor with team	35.20
Warren Mattoon, labor with team	25.30
Athol Coburn, labor with team	187.60
Harold Hayward, labor	1.60
George C. Lyford, labor with tractor	56.10
Nelson Dukett, labor with team	108.60
George D. Lyford, labor	813.95
Ray Thorne, labor	3.60
Earl Thorne, labor	2.40
W. F. Tucker, labor	7.20
L. H. Hill, labor	35.20
Harry O'Donnell, labor with team	68.40
E. G. LaFrancis, labor	49.60
Walter Druge, labor with team	105.95
Alton Felch, labor with tractor	159.95
Mike Kennedy, labor with truck	252.20
Donald Ramsey, labor	57.00
G. L. Slack, labor	1.20
Waldo Taylor, labor with team	26.40
Clyde Hook, labor	28.00
Ernest Luce, labor with team	117.60
Chelsea Lumber Co., lumber	11.36
Vt. Explosives Co., explosives	38.00
Town Treasurer, use of tractor	332.00
W. L. Kennedy, freight on Rd. blades	1.08
Victor Forrester, labor and toll	6.80
W. C. Wilson, gravel	90.90
O. F. Allen, bond	20.00
Town Treasurer., money paid on St. aid Rd.	875.01
J. A. Messier, welding	3.65
New Eng. Metal Culvert Co., culverts	153.60
William Underhill, paper and order books	1.65
Forrest Sanborn, stones	4.00
Sam E. Richardson, Revenue Taxes	74.90
Arthur Clough, lumber	4.00
Bernard Brown, labor and use of gas shovel	6.30
A. H. Magasky, labor on picks and bars	2.00
Naef Hardware, hardware	3.72
Total	$ 6,564.18

Unselected Highways

Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1948	$	55.00
Received from grading, gravel, stones, etc.		71.64
Received from State		8,412.14
Amount Available	$	8,538.78
Orders drawn	$	8,537.29
Balance Feb. 1, 1949	$	1.49

Orders

C. B. Hopkins, stones	$	2.00
A. M. Flanders Inc., culverts		236.30
Button Bros., barbed wire		8.90
Forrest Sanborn, split stone		15.00
Esther Smith, Treas., refund to Gen. Acct. for culvert		28.00
Everett Eastman, labor		158.00
George K. Cushman, labor		24.80
Ernest Royce, labor		270.70
G. D. Lyford, labor		289.50
W. A. Reed, labor		10.80
G. D. Lyford, labor		4.80
Kenneth Thompson, labor		1.20
Laurence Kennedy, labor		36.50
C. A. Blanchard, Jr., labor		53.00
Richard Druge, labor		14.40
Cecil Densmore, labor		36.80
Stanley Hook, labor		20.30
Lee Jones, labor		20.30
J. B. Hill, labor		62.80
A. C. Coburn, labor		64.80
Walter Grant, labor		100.40
Jack Kennedy, man, truck and driver		500.07
Maurice Summers, man and truck		307.00
Harold Parker, man and truck		386.10
Morris Tucker, man and truck		316.00
Maurice Kennedy, man and truck		459.20
G. S. Hayward, man and truck		458.40
J. M. Hayward, man and truck		338.00
Hayden Clark, man and truck		172.80
Clifford Brailey, man and truck		391.20
O. E. Burgess, labor, man and truck		557.40

Parker Hill, truck and driver	216.00
Arthur Beede, truck and driver	412.80
Don Orr, truck and driver	288.00
Delbert, truck	171.00
Paul Dutton, shovel and operator, truck and driver	1,281.80
S. C. Wilson, 7669 yds. gravel	766.90
Mrs. Harley Sutton, 1c toll on 2002 loads	20.02
Collector Internal Revenue, withheld taxes	35.30
	$ 8,537.29

Cutting Bushes

G. D. Lyford, labor	$ 32.40
Charles Betts, labor	28.80
	$ 61.20

Snow Roads

In our winter maintenance of Town and State aid highways which are actually plowed we are allowed up to $25.00 per mile for Town roads and $50.00 per mile for State Aid roads. We received last year $1,487.75 for Town roads and $155.50 for State aid roads and also from the Town of Washington $93.25. Making a total of $1,736.50 and our actual labor cost was $1,122.09 leaving a difference of $614.41 which we received. We are allowed to charge to the State the use of all equipment and labor and you might be interested to know for the winter of 1947 and 1948 that our weekly time sheets totaled $5,830.77, of this amount $4,708.68 was for use of equipment.

Orders Drawn

G. D. Lyford, snow removal, sanding and snow fence	$ 271.50
O. E. Burgess, truck, sanding and snow removal	63.80
J. M. Hayward, truck hauling sand	20.80
G. H. Hayward, truck hauling sand	78.90
Leo Doyle, sanding, truck and 2 men	31.60
Guy Eastman, sanding	8.00
Morten Carey, sanding	2.80

A. C. Coburn, sanding	3.00
Everett Eastman, sanding	20.80
Stanley Jones, sanding	9.60
George Dacier, sanding	3.90
Wendell Hill, sanding	4.70
Harold Hayward, sanding	10.20
Kenneth Thompson, snow fence	5.60
George Cushman, snow fence	5.60
Tex Marshey, removing trees	2.40
W. A. Reed, snow fence and sanding	24.40
F. J. Austin, sand	18.50
Town of Tunbridge, use of shovel	14.60
Carroll Jackson, snow removal	29.80
Harry O'Donnell, snow removal	10.80
E. G. Thorne, snow removal	21.00
F. R. Thorne, snow removal	17.60
Esther Smith, use of truck and salt	54.60
Maurice Kennedy, snow removal	40.23
Glenn Kennedy, snow removal	13.00
Herbert Kennedy, snow removal	80.40
Richard Kennedy, snow removal	18.40
Eugene Kennedy, Jr., snow removal	67.70
Jack Kennedy, snow removal	166.26
Victor Forrester, snow removal	1.60
	$ 1,122.09

State Aid Highway No. 1

Income from State Funds	$ 3,962.84
Special Money available	1,750.01
Amount used from general highway acct.	875.01
Received from rebate and posts	24.87
	$ 6,612.73
Orders paid	6,587.86
Balance on hand	$ 24.87

Orders Drawn

G. D. Lyford, labor	$ 195.50
Ernest Royce, labor	167.60
Everett Eastman, labor	116.00
W. A. Reed, labor	3.60

E. E. Luce, labor	5.60
Walter Grant, labor	62.80
Kenneth Thompson, labor	14.40
J. B. Hill, labor	21.60
Charles Betts, labor	10.80
A. C. Coburn, labor	14.40
O. E. Burgess, man and truck	411.70
J. M. Hayward, man and truck	200.20
G. H. Hayward, man and truck	296.80
Maurice Kennedy, man and truck	296.80
Harold Parker, man and truck	230.40
Jack Kennedy, self, truck and man	365.23
Paul Dutton, shovel operator and trucks	570.77
Esther Smith, use of Bulldozer, grader, tractor, trucks and lumber	675.52
H. N. Sanborn, paints turpentine etc.	21.00
A. M. Flanders Inc., culverts	121.15
Forest Sanborn, split stones for culverts	15.00
Frank K. Bailey, posts	17.50
State of Vermont, labor and use of equpt.	900.76
The Barrett Division, tarvia	1,467.60
S. C. Wilson, gravel	356.50
T. J. Austin, sand	6.30
Mrs. Harley Sutton, tolls	9.43
Collector of Internal Revenue, tax withheld	12.90
	$ 6,587.86

State Aid Highway No. 2 Resurfacing

Amount received from State	$ 215.03
Amount received from Town	107.52
	$ 322.55

Orders Drawn

Clifford Braley, man and truck	$ 22.40
Harold Parker, man and truck	22.40
Maurice Kennedy, man and truck	20.80
G. S. Hayward, man and truck	20.80
J. M. Hayward, man and truck	16.90
O.E. Burgess, man and truck	22.40
Jack Kennedy, truck and driver	22.40
Arthur Beede, truck and driver	20.80

Esther Smith, Treas., use Town truck	12.60
Paul Dutton, shovel and operator, truck and man	64.55
G. D. Lyford, labor	6.30
Walter Grant, labor	5.60
Ernest Royce, labor	5.60
Everett Eastman, labor	5.60
S. C. Wilson, 520 yds. gravel	52.00
Mrs. Harley Sutton, 1c toll on 140 loads gravel	1.40
	$ 322.55

OVERSEER'S REPORT

Orders drawn by L. T. Welch, acting for the Board of Selectmen, overseer of the poor.

Vermont State Dept. of Social Welfare, for dependent children	$ 1,358.65
Mrs. Evelyn Austin family	76.75
Guy Coburn, board and clothing	320.54
Myrtle Paul, hospital	25.75
David Blakeney and family, doctor, hospital and groceries	253.08
Mark Dunbar, groceries	317.48
Mrs. Lloyd Hill, hospital	56.00
Arthur O'Donnell, groceries and doctor	41.75
F. W. Eaton, doctor	23.00
Mrs. Clyde Beede, hospital, doctor and groceries etc.	420.21
Mrs. Marjorie O'Donnell, hospital	51.36
Mrs. Grace Washburn, hospital	285.46
Nora Braman, board, care and doctor	179.25
John Gardner, groceries	11.00
Mrs. Fred Howe, hospital	66.10
Everett Boardman, hospital	179.00
George Durkee, doctor	5.00
9 transients	5.00
Total orders drawn	$ 3,675.38

L. T. WELCH,
Acting Overseer.
For the Board Selectmen.

ROBERT'S POOR FUND

Disbursements from Robert's Poor Fund for the benefit of 4 persons and families for year	$	495.23
Flour for members of the board		40.00
	$	535.23

TREASURER'S REPORT

In Account with Robert's Poor Fund

Receipts

Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1948	$	609.25
Interest on Savings Account		4.48
Income from Robert's Trust Fund		440.00
	$	1,053.73

Disbursements

Paid 17 orders drawn by Board	$	465.51
Balance on hand	$	588.22

Outstanding Orders

No.			
571	Jan. 15. 1949, Mrs. Hattie Hoyt	$	45.00
577	Jan. 31, 1949, D. H. Gilman		24.72
		$	69.72

Leaving a balance of $518.50 for use in 1949.

VERMONT
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE
Montpelier, Vermont

In accordance with established custom, we are presenting for the information of your taxpayers a summary of state payments during 1948 to individuals applying from Chelsea:

This type of state aid reflects payments from federal aid and tax sources not available to local municipalities and to such extent represents a lightening of

the local tax rate.

Old Age Assistance	$ 11,305.50
Aid to Blind	1,345.00
Aid to Dependent Children	6,218.00
Adult Crippled Aid	276.00
Committed Children	996.39
Total	$20,140.89

W. ARTHUR SIMPSON,
Commissioner

REPORT OF CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

The following new funds have been added this year:

Mrs. Josie Lougee and Glen Lougee for care of lot No. 208	$ 50.00
Mrs. Eva L. Little for care of lot No. 20	100.00
Guy W. Bowin for care of lot No. 251	100.00
William H. Adams for care of lot No. 147	100.00
Gerald A. Bixby for care of lot No. 159	100.00
Arthur C. Button from Harry W. Slack Estate for care of lot No. 26	200.00
	$ 650.00

Orders Drawn by Chairman

J. B. Hill, labor		$ 414.40
W. A. Reed, labor		292.75
Green Mt. Appliance Service, sharpening lawn mowers		8.00
Chelsea Job Press, printing		5.00
Esther Smith, services as treasurer		10.00
E. H. Colby,		
Supplies	$ 11.33	
Man and truck	21.00	
Services as Chairman	10.00	
		42.33
		$ 772.48

TREASURER'S CEMETERY REPORT

Receipts

Balance Feb. 1, 1948	$	240.66
Ralph H. and Anna S. Coburn ½ lot No. 147½		25.00
City Institution for savings, Int. Joel Ordway Fund		4.50
Int. on U. S. Bonds		447.50
Individuals for care of lots		219.00
	$	936.66

Disbursements

Paid 33 orders amounting to	$	772.48
Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1949	$	164.18

CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS

By the Auditors

Total Funds Jan. 31, 1948	$ 18,064.07
Funds added per 1949 report	650.00
Total Funds as of Jan. 31, 1949	$ 18,714.07
These Funds are invested as follows:	
U. S. Savings Bonds , series G	$ 18,300.00
Savings account in Chelsea Bank	114.07
Savings account in City Inst. for Savings, Lowell, Mass.	300.00
Total Investments	$ 18,714.07

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC MONEY FOR THE WEST HILL CEMETERY

Balance in Bank Feb. 1, 1948	$	116.09
Cash on hand Feb. 1, 1948		33.08
Rec'd interest on Government Bonds		37.50
Rec'd from Mrs. A. G. Bradshaw for care of lots for 1947, '48		4.00
Rec'd from Mrs. S. C. Wilson for care of		

E. N. Bacon lot		2.00
Rec'd of Carl DeAlmeida for care of the DeAlmeida lot in West Hill Cemetery		100.00
Rec'd of Alice Allen, Admr. of Geo. B. Colby Estate for care of the Geo. B. Colby lot in West Hill Cemetery		100.00
	$	392.67
Paid for Making and recording Deed, of land from Paul Libby	$	3.25
Paid Erland LaFrancis for care of lots		35.00
Paid Jim Brown Stores, Inc., for fence, gates and posts		116.52
Paid freight on fence, gates and posts		9.15
Paid Kenneth McFarlane, gravel and hauling		4.25
Bank for Gov't Bond for DeAlmeida lot		100.00
Bank for Gov't bond for Geo. B. Colby lot		100.00
Balance in Bank Feb. 1, 1949		8.67
Cash on hand Feb. 1, 1949		15.83
	$	392.67

Rec'd of Frank W. Button, $50.00 for additional funds for Dewey-Button lot.

This fund is in the Savings Account at the Chelsea Bank.

Due from Joseph Horton for lot	$	5.00
Due from Everett Eastman for lot		10.00

There are on hand U. S. Series G Bonds amounting to $1,700.00.

HARRY L. HAYWARD,
For Trustees

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT OF THE HILAS E. ROBERTS CEMETERY FUND

Principal of Fund — $500.00

Balance in Savings Acc't, Feb. 1, 1948	$	63.19
Rec'd interest on same		.98
Rec'd interest on U. S. Bond		12.50
	$	76.67
No Disbursements		
Balance in Savings Account	$	76.67

TOWNSEND FUND FOR CARE OF STREET APPROACH TO HIGHLAND CEMETERY

Principal of Fund — $803.36		
Balance Feb. 1, 1948	$	10.32
Interest on Savings and U. S. Bond		20.12
	$	**30.44**
Paid for labor		13.00
Balance in Savings Account Feb. 1, '49	$	17.44

Trust Funds in Savings Account — $3.36.

ADA HALL JACKSON FUND FOR THE CARE OF TREES ON HIGHLAND AVENUE

Principal of Fund — $500.00		
Received interest on U. S. Bond	$	12.50
Received interest on Savings Account		.05
	$	12.55
No Disbursements		
Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1949	$	12.55

REPORT OF CHELSEA LIBRARY AND ALDEN SPEAR MEMORIAL BUILDING

Report of Librarian

The circulation this year was 5,060 books and magazines. In addition to the general circulation of books, boxes were prepared for reading material in three rural schools and the Village graded schools three times during the year or as requested. Fifty eight books were presented to the Library by the Book Club, individuals and the State. Among books purchased for the Library were twenty-two juvenile, besides an eight volume set "Library of Human Interest."

Receipts

Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1948	$	4.76
Received from fines		25.47
Received from discarded books		.45
Received from rentals		11.37
	$	42.05

Expenditures

Supplies and postage	$	.54
Box rent		1.35
Paid to Treasurer		26.54
Paid rentals to Treasurer		11.37
	$	39.80

Total Receipts	$	42.05
Total Expenditures		39.80
Cash on Hand Feb. 1, 1949	$	2.25

Respectfully submitted,
ESTHER E. SMITH, Librarian

REPORT OF LIBRARY TREASURER

Receipts

Balance on hand at beginning of year	$	156.84
Appropriated by Town		500.00
Robert's Fund		145.00
Stowe Fund		28.00
Braley Fund		5.00
Rentals and fines		36.84
Borrowed at bank		75.00
Rebate on Geographic		.75
Total Receipts	$	947.43

Expenditures

Librarian and assistant	$	180.33
Books		157.09
Periodicals		99.56
Janitor Service		59.50
Fuel		65.84
Note at Bank, interest labels, etc.		205.03
Insurance policy and premium		32.20
Total Expenditures	$	799.55

Leaving a Balance of $147.88 on hand, and we owe the bank $75.00

Respectfully submitted,
MARY E. GRIFFIN,
Treasurer

TAXES ABATED

Cora Ashley 1946 Poll	$	6.75
Byron and Lillian Downing 1936 Polls		9.88
Francis Robert Cahill 1947 Poll (clerical error)		7.27
Allie Davis Estate 1945 property (estate closed without funds)		6.25
Frederick Howe 1948 Poll		7.27
Dr. R. K. Reynolds 1948 Poll		7.27
Eva Kezer 1948 property		2.13
	$	46.82

REPORT OF DOGS LICENSED BY TOWN CLERK

157 dogs were licensed and after fees were deducted $391.15 was turned over to the Town Treasurer.

CHELSEA COMMUNITY CLUB AND BOARD OF TRADE

Interest of $5.00 was received by the Town on bonds numbered C3099259 and C3099260 for use in caring for the commons.

ESTHER SMITH,
Town Treasurer

LEASE LAND

Received from Parsonage Right

Waverley L. Root	$	19.96
Myrle O. Dodge		14.68
Will Reed		10.00
Mrs. C. B. Fletcher		1.86
Stanley C. Wilson		12.00
	$	58.50

Division of Parsonage Right

United Church	$	39.00
West Hill Church		19.50

Received from School Right

Harold E. Camp	$	.50

Clinton Burbank	4.50
O. E. Burgess	1.50
E. Harold Colby	.75
H. W. Armstrong	11.00
Richard Kennedy	3.00
Percy J. Heath	4.75
Flint Bros. Lumber Co.	6.25
	$ 32.25

All lease land rents are paid to date.

REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR

C. C. Liese, Collector

Year	Uncollected Oct. 1, '48	Collected	Uncollected Feb. 1, '49
1936 Polls	$ 9.88	$ 9.88	$
1939 Property	6.68		6.68
1940 Property	22.40		22.40
1941 Property	7.60		7.60
1942 Polls	12.60		12.60
1943 Property	22.31	22.31	
1943 Polls	12.50		12.50
1944 Property	65.13	46.38	18.75
1944 Polls	14.12	7.87	6.25
1945 Property	137.02	55.83	81.19
1945 Polls	25.00	10.00	15.00
1946 Property	529.93	258.37	271.56
1946 Polls	47.25	20.25	27.00
1947 Property	1,041.25	450.36	590.89
1947 Polls	145.40	116.32	29.08
1948 Property	34,512.15	32,505.64	2,006.51
1948 Polls	694.68	489.16	205.52
Totals	$37,305.90	33,992.37	3,313.53

DELINQUENT TAXES

February 1, 1949

Ackerman, Gertrude M.		
1947 Property	$ 1.20	
1948 Property	1.46	
		$ 2.66

Adams, Vera—1948 Property		25.97
Austin, Irene M. and Ernest G.		
1947 Property	$ 47.70	
1947 Property	57.24	
1948 Property	94.63	
		199.57
Berry, Harold—1940 Property		15.20
Brown, Harry—1948 Poll		8.27
Brown, Richard—1948 Poll		8.27
Cleaves, Mabel—1948 Property		57.70
Croft, R. J. and Linda M.—1948 Property		267.15
DeAlmeida, Lincoln M.—1948 Property		1.45
Dickerman, Harold E.		
1945 Poll	$ 6.25	
1946 Poll	6.75	
1947 Poll	7.27	
1948 Property	18.76	
		39.03
Downing, Edgar R. and Lillian—2, 1946 Polls		13.50
Downing, Byron and Lillian—2, 1942 Polls		12.60
Druge, Walter E.—1948 Poll		8.27
Fletcher, C. B. Estate—1948 Property		12.01
Forrester, Victor—1948 Poll		8.27
Gardner, John R. and Ruth E.		
1946 Property	$ 1.28	
1947 Property	9.54	
1948 Property	11.54	
		22.36
Hale, Daniel T. and Elda		
2—1947 Polls	$ 1 4.54	
1947 Property	9.54	
1948 Property	25.97	
2—1948 Polls	16.54	
		66.59
Hill, Lloyd and Alice M.		
1947 Property	$ 7.16	
1948 Property	8.66	
		15.82
Hill, Arthur E.		
1947 Property	$ 2.39	
1948 Property	23.08	
2—1948 Polls	16.54	
		42.01

Holmes, Hazel D.			
1945 Poll	$	2.50	
1946 Poll		6.75	
1947 Poll		7.27	
1947 Property		56.09	
1948 Property		98.09	
1948 Poll		8.27	
			178.97
Holmes, Lester—1948 Poll			8.27
Kennedy, Raymond and Angelia—1944 Property			18.75
Kendall, Gile G.—1948 Property			5.77
Kennedy, Glen E. and Mildred			
1948 Property	$	4.33	
2—1948 Polls		16.54	
			20.87
Kennedy, Richard and Florence D.			
1948 Property	$	34.62	
2—1948 Polls		16.54	
			51.16
Kill, Harrison and Edith			
1947 Property	$	5.97	
1948 Property		17.31	
			23.28
Ladd, Orrville M.			
1947 Property	$	7.16	
1948 Property		14.43	
1948 Poll		8.27	
			29.86
Libby, Paul D.—1948 Property			75.14
Luce, Ernest E. and Lizzie L.—1948 Property			149.64
Lyon, Ralph O.			
1946 Property	$	17.85	
1947 Property		26.48	
1948 Property		33.18	
1948 Poll		8.27	
			85.78
Mahoney, Robert D.—1948 Property			28.85
Malone, Francis J. and C. M.—1948 Polls			15.31
Melvin, Winona			
1947 Property	$	106.85	
1948 Property		133.00	
			239.85
Messier, Joseph A. and Edna M.—1948 Property			57.70

Moulton, Raymond C. and Electa—1948 Property			88.57
O'Donnell, Kenneth A.			
1945 Property	$	26.25	
1946 Property		29.75	
1948 Property		49.62	
1948 Poll		8.27	
			113.89
O'Donnell, Harry L.			
1948 Property	$	2.89	
1948 Poll		8.27	
			11.16
Perkins, Mark C.			
1946 Property	$	34.00	
1947 Property		38.16	
1948 Property		46.16	
			118.32
Pratt, Elmer D. and Olive			
1946 Property	$	48.00	
1947 Property		76.32	
1948 Property		92.32	
2—1948 Polls		16.54	
			233.18
Rathburn, Mary J. Heirs			
1949 Property	$	6.68	
1940 Property		7.20	
1941 Property		7.60	
			21.48
Russell, Earl M. and Stella L.—1947 Property			32.00
Root, Waverly and Joanne A.—1948 Property			167.33
Sanborn, Clyde G.			
1948 Property	$	80.78	
1948 Poll		8.27	
			89.05
Scott, Francis J. and Barbara			
2—1943 Polls	$	12.50	
1944 Poll		6.25	
1945 Poll		6.25	
			25.00
Slack, Gerald—1948 Property			4.90
Surprise, Herbert—1948 Poll			8.27
Thompson, Kenneth G. and Dorothy—1948 Prop.			95.21
Tucker, Pauline—1948 Poll			8.27

Whipple, Winifred H. and Mabel S.		
1945 Property	$ 54.94	
1946 Property	140.68	
1947 Property	107.09	
1948 Property	91.74	
		394.45
Woodworth, Clayton E. and Arline—1948 Prop.		86.55

C. C. LIESE,
Tax Collector

SCHOOL DIRECTORS' REPORT
For School Year July 1, 1947 to June 30, 1948

Receipts

Balance on hand July 1, 1947	$ 4,059.57
State Treasurer, State School Aid	11,778.89
Chelsea Fire District, 2 pumps	70.00
Income from Roberts School Fund	870.00
Rent of Grammar School Lands	71.69
School Tax	15,782.53
Lease Land Rent	32.25
Sale of paper, High School students	20.45
Tuition	940.00
Money borrowed at Bank	4,100.00
Total Receipts	$ 37,725.38
Total Orders Drawn	37,696.51
Balance on Hand July 1, 1948	$ 28.87

Summary of Expenditures

Teachers	$ 17,557.35
Retirement	1,125.88
Collector of Internal Revenue	1,215.60
Janitors' services	1,270.00
Directors' services and expenses	145.80
Superintendent	1,020.79
Music	224.00
Transportation	2,579.61
Fuel	1,007.94
Repairs	160.52
Supplies	1,821.88
Books	409.63

Lights	141.02
Telephone	59.57
Insurance	190.18
Paid borrowed money and interest	8,040.00
Labor, includes summer cleaning	371.17
Miscellaneous	355.57
Total Orders Drawn	$ 37,696.51

Reconciliation of Balance

Balance as per Treas., report June 30, '48	$ 41.12
Less Outstanding Orders	12.25
Unexpended School Funds	$ 28.87

COMPARATIVE DEBT STATEMENT

Year as of June 30:	
1944 net balance	$ 965.09
1945 net balance	2,270.20
1946 net balance	28.80
1947 net debt	3,940.43
1948 net debt	4,071.13

ITEMIZED EXPENSES

July 1, 1947 to June 30, 1948

Village School

Salaries —		
A. W. House	$ 2,607.47	
Robert F. Pratt	1,779.20	
Frances B. Ladd	1,736.40	
Katherine Dewey	126.07	
Jacqueline LeMay	1,263.64	
Elmer C. Roberts	1,400.14	
Norma Burbank	1,568.00	
May Walker	1,449.60	
Ruth Martin	1,373.92	
		13,304.44
Janitor		1,200.00
Music		224.00
Transportation—		
Charles Burgess	$ 664.00	
Glen A. Button	145.80	
Earl Russell	45.20	

Robert Ainsworth	74.76	
John Doyle	105.99	
Albion Jones	59.40	
Agnes Lyon	38.70	
Clifford Ryder	134.76	
		1,268.61
Fuel		633.28
Lights		141.02
Telephone		59.57
Total		$ 16,830.92

Meadow Brook School (No. 1)

Teacher, Bessie Stender	$ 1,413.76
Transportation, Everett Eastman	703.50
Fuel (oil)	246.94
Total	$ 2,364.20

Barre Road School (No. 5)

Teacher, Eunice Burbank	$ 1,355.15
Transportation, Angier Edwards	607.50
Janitor, Ernest Cloud	35.00
Wood	75.72
Total	$ 2,073.37

West Hill School (No. 9)

Teacher, Beatrice Coburn	$ 1,484.00
Janitor, Henry Hale	35.00
Wood	52.00
Total	$ 1,571.00

Expenses Applying to All Schools

Directors' services and expenses	$ 145.80
Superintendent	1,020.79
Retirement	1,125.88
Collector of Internal Revenue	1,215.60
Repairs	160.52
Supplies	1,821.88
Books	409.63
Insurance	190.18

Paid back borrowed money and interest	8,040.00
Labor (includes summer cleaning)	371.17
Miscellaneous	355.57
Total	$ 14,857.02

Summary

Village School	$ 16,830.92
No. 1	2,364.20
No. 5	2,073.37
No. 9	1,571.00
All schools	14,857.02
Total	$ 37,696.51

TREASURER'S REPORT

In Account with School Directors from July 1, 1947 to July 1, 1948

Receipts

Balance on hand July 1, 1947	$ 4,077.01
Received from State Treasurer—	
Vocational Education	12.26
School Aid	11,766.63
Tuition	940.00
Chelsea Fire District, 2 marine pumps	70.00
School Tax	15,782.53
Income Roberts School Fund	870.00
Lease Land rent	32.25
Grammar School Fund	71.69
Money borrowed	4,100.00
Sale of paper	20.45
	$ 37,742.82

Disbursements

Paid orders outstanding July 1, 1947	$ 17.44
Paid current orders	37,684.26
Total orders paid	$ 37,701.70
Balance June 30, 1948	$ 41.12

Outstanding Orders June 30, 1948

No. 694	The Gregg Writer	$ 1.75
No. 695	Royalton School District	10.50
		$ 12.25

Expenditures July 1, 1948 to Jan. 31, 1949

Teachers' salaries	$ 9,040.30
Janitor service	700.00
School Directors	150.00
Superintendent	656.32
Retirement tax	433.56
Music	132.00
Transportation	1,120.91
Collector of Internal Revenue	714.00
Fuel	948.44
Repairs	432.92
Supplies	738.29
Books	343.75
Lights	130.71
Telephone	35.65
Insurance	259.29
Interest	126.67
Labor	327.60
Miscellaneous	107.43
Borrowed money repaid	8,000.00
Total	$ 24,397.84

TREASURER'S REPORT

School Account July 1, 1948 to Feb. 1, 1949

Receipts

Balance on hand July 1, 1948	$ 41.12
Money borrowed	4,000.00
Tutition	600.00
State Treas., Standardization Fund	175.00
C. C. Liese, Collector 1948 tax	18,023.34
State Treasurer, School Aid	6,257.07
Sale of Typewriter	85.00
Sale of paper	30.00
Refund on Guyette school bus insurance	11.45

Refund on bill of McCormick Mathers Pub. Company	45.36
Income from Roberts School Fund	920.00
Lease Land Rents	32.25
	$ 30,220.59

Disbursements

Paid School Directors' orders	$ 24,241.54
Balance on Hand Feb. 1, 1949	$ 5,979.05

Outstanding Orders Feb. 1, 1949

938	Jan. 8, 1949—Arlene Titus	$ 16.00
963	Jan. 21, 1949—Holcomb Mfg. Co.	39.45
967	Jan. 24, 1949—Gregg Writer	.50
969	Jan. 27, 1949—Vernon Hook	40.00
972	Jan. 27, 1949—Jean Fitts	16.00
975	Jan. 27, 1949—Glen Button	24.50
976	Jan. 27, 1949—Agnes Lyon	6.80
977	Jan. 27, 1949—Clifford Ryder	25.30
		$ 168.55

PROPOSED BUDGET

July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950

Expenditures

Teachers' salaries	$ 21,200.00
Janitors (includes summer cleaning)	1,600.00
School Directors	160.00
Superintendent	1,200.00
Music	700.00
Transportation	2,500.00
Fuel	2,000.00
Repairs	2,000.00
Supplies	2,500.00
Books	500.00
Lights	300.00
Telephone	60.00
Insurance	360.00
Interest on borrowed money	50.00
Labor	750.00

Miscellaneous	500.00
	$ 36,380.00
Estimated Receipts	14,100.00
Amount to be raised by tax	$ 22,280.00

Estimated Receipts

State Treasurer	$ 12,100.00
Roberts Fund	920.00
Tutition	1,050.00
Lease Land	30.00
	$ 14,100.00

REPORT OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS

Feb. 1, 1949

To the Voters:

The School Directors have endeavored to keep expenses down to comply with the wishes of the taxpayers. However, we see much that needs to be done. To mention a few — the water supply at two rural schools is inadequate, the High School building needs painting both inside and out, and new seats and desks are needed. The State Boards of Health and Education have requested that we make repairs.

We are in need of a good laboratory. If we have a large class of beginners next fall, the primary room will not accommodate them. We wish we could have an agricultural course for those boys whose schooling ends with high school.

Hot lunches are being served at No.1 School and our thanks go to those who gave of their time to make this project a success.

Education of our children is very important and we urge the voters to back up our program with a $3.30 tax. If the legislature passes the proposed plan for State Aid, Chelsea will be one of the few schools that will not benefit.

Respectfully submitted,
FRANKLIN D. BURBANK,
FRED DICKINSON,
I. S. RUSHWORTH,
School Directors

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To Board of School Directors and Citizens of Chelsea:

This report is for the school year ending June 30, 1948, and is part of a report of the Board of School Directors required by law.

Three one-teacher schools and the village graded school were each maintained for thirty-five weeks and the high school for thirty-six weeks. There were seven elementary and four high school teaching positions. The average number of pupils enrolled in the elementary schools was 172, and the average daily attendance was 156.99. The average number enrolled in high school was 61, and the average daily attendance was 54.99. Seven elementary school pupils and nine high school pupils were non-resident tuition students. The average cost per pupil was, for elementary schools, $120.94, and for high school $194.02. Twenty-nine elementary pupils of different elementary school pupils enrolled.

The total number of different elementary school pupils enrolled was 181. One hundred thirty-eight were promoted, 18 transferred to other schools, and two dropped out of school. Of the 64 enrolled in the high school, 48 were promoted, 5 were promoted conditionally, 2 were not promoted, one transferred to another school, and 8 dropped out of school. Results of physical examinations showed the following defects: hearing 5, vision 21, teeth 71, nose and throat 14, heart 1, and lungs 1. The number immunized were: smallpox 91, diptheria 93, typhoid 17, and tetanus 65.

The State Board of Education made a ruling that affected a great many one, two, and 3-teacher schools during the year. A careful rechecking of the schools by the standard school rating sheet was ordered with the stipulation that all standard or superior name plates be removed from, (1) closed schools, (2) schools with teachers having temporary certificates, and (3) schools that for any reason do not measure up to the rating indicated by the name plate. During and since the war years, it has not been possible to make other than necessary repairs. The Meadow Brook community has recently given generously of time and effort to redec-

orate the classroom and provide a suitable lunch room where school lunches are now provided. Several of the other schools need interior decoration and repairs.

The changing conditions of rural life brought about by rural electrification, improved roads, widespread use of mechanical horsepower, countrywide adjustments to housing needs, and population pressures are sure to affect the schools in ways that have not been foreseen. It is my opinion that it would be wise for the Board of School Directors in every town to establish a policy of actively seeking the advice of a group of alert citizens of their choice who are known to have the best interest of their community at heart. Such a group could provide valuable information by conducting a continuous community survey. A continuous census of children of all ages could be maintained and their respective locations in town indicated. Future adequacy of school buildings could be studied in the light of these investigations as well as transportation facilities and needs, teacher supply, and conditions affecting the health of children. The different ways of meeting similar problems in other places could be noted and the whole serve as a reservoir of up-to-date information that would be most helpful when choices have to be made.

I am grateful to the school directors, parents, teachers, community organizations and townspeople for their support.

Respectfully submitted,
A. COURTNEY PARKER,
Supt. of Schools

REPORT OF SPECIAL BUILDING COMMITTEE

To the Voters of the Town of Chelsea:

Your building committee, elected at the Special Town Meeting last October with instructions to build a new gymnasium, now report that progress has been made but it has not been deemed feasible to start actual construction until Spring. Your committee chose Franklin Burbank as its chairman. It made examination of the present gymnasium building, had a contour survey of the land near the present school building

made by an engineer, examined various school gymnasiums in an endeavor to profit by the successes and the mistakes of others, and conferred with practical builders and dealers in building materials.

We are agreed that: (1) the present gymnasium building cannot be rebuilt into anything satisfactory for future use as a gymnasium; (2) the building contains lumber worthsalvaging; (3) the size of the new building should be 100 feet by 50 feet; (4) it should be erected with the long way of the building east and west and located north of the baseball playing field and with its east end a short distance from the west line of land of Elmer Pratt; (5) the walls of the building should be of cement blocks with the gymnasium proper one story with no basement and the west end of the building to be two stories, one of which will be basement.

The location selected will interfere only slightly with the use of the athletic field for baseball, and the type of building fits the location for economical construction as well as services of water and sewer. It will be convenient of access and have good parking facilities.

The main hall will use 70 feet of the length of the building while the 2 story part of the building will use 30 feet.

The basement of the west end will contain the heating plant, toilets, showers and dressing rooms, and one room which may be available for storage or shop work. The basement floor will be about 5 feet below the level of the main gymnasium floor and the floor of the second story will be about 4 feet above the level of the gymnasium floor. The second floor will have two unfinished room available when finished for class rooms for 24 pupils each, and a stage 10 feet deep which will also serve for entrance to the class rooms.

There will be entrances on the south and north sides of the building in the two-story part at the level of the gymnasium floor with inside stairs going down to the basement and up to the stage and the school rooms. There will also be a doorway at each end of the building for convenience and to conform to safety regulations.

The roof will probably be standard tar and gravel type carried by steel girders. The walls will be strengthened at the ends of each girder by pilasters formed by doubling the cement blocks for one length and filling them with cement. The gymnasium floor will be laid on a waterproofed base either of cement or tar and gravel. From the floor to the bottom of the girders will be 18 feet.

The committee kept an option on a large quonset hut for a time and until convinced that the temporary saving of expense in that type of construction would not be justified because of its short life and its failure to conform to the needs of the town.

Nearly all the lumber, except flooring in this building is being supplied at cost from a town-owned timber lot. It is all cut and is being sawed and stacked for drying. We expect by the time this lumber is dry enough for use, we will be able to have the steel girders. The other items of construction should not occasion much delay. Nearly everything but the handling of the girders and putting on the tar and gravel roof can be done with local labor.

The finishing of school rooms is not our business, but we feel certain that local civic pride and public spirit will see to this. We believe we can build this gymnasium within the appropriation provided. We hope it may be done for less. In any event, it seems to us that individuals who want to see Chelsea have better schools and better facilities for the young people may be glad to help along by contributions of money, labor or material — at least for the equipment.

Whatever the building costs, we believe the cost should be distributed over a period of years during which the benefit will be received. Assuming the gymnasium costs $25,000. and the grand list remains about as now, a tax of 40 cents on the dollar each year would pay off the debt with interest in ten years, or in other words, it would be finished in 1958. We recommend a special tax of 40 cents on the dollar of the grand list be voted this year to be applied upon the debt of the town incurred for the construction of the new gymnasium.

Receipts

Borrowed money		$ 1,000.00

Disbursements

Labor cutting lumber—		
O. E. Burgess	$ 217.50	
Robert Cahill	151.50	
Victor Forrester	30.50	
W. Sidney Gilman	67.50	
Wilson Beebe	46.50	
A. C. Coburn	5.00	
R. H. Marsh	46.50	
Delwin Braman	23.50	
Merlin Doyle	87.00	
George Cushman	9.00	
Harry Brown	9.00	
Edward Paul, self and team	183.00	
		876.50
Interest on borrowed money		10.00
Committee's expenses		10.50
Surveyor's services		52.00
Supplies		9.35
		$ 958.35
Balance February 1, 1949	$ 41.65	

FRANKLIN D. BURBANK,
O. E. BURGESS,
O. FAY ALLEN,
FRED B. SANBORN,
STANLEY C. WILSON,
Gymnasium Building Committee

Outstanding Orders

No. 32—Jan. 14, 1949, Merlin Doyle	$ 43.00

TREASURER'S REPORT

Gymnasium Building Committee

Received from borrowed money	$ 1,000.00
Less orders paid	915.35
Balance Feb. 1, 1949	$ 84.65

There is an outstanding note of $1,000.00 to the National White River Bank in Bethel.

VITAL STATISTICS

Births

Apr. 6—Beebe, Paula Jean, daughter of Wilson H. and Polly Ann (Carpenter) in Barre.

Feb. 26—Beede, David Joseph, son of Clyde Nelson and Sarah Mary (Hayward) in Barre.

Feb. 8—Betts, Janet Irene, daughter of Charles W. and Claradella (Snow) in Barre.

Jan. 3—Brown, Pamela Jeanne, daughter of Harry J. and Jeanne Ethelyn (Holmes) in Randolph.

June 21—Button, Raymond Franklin, son of Walter F. and Ruth Lavinia (Dodge) in Barre.

Nov. 15—Button, Peter Duane, son of Glenn A. and Irene E. (Titus) in Barre.

Sept. 1—Doyle, Timothy Lee, son of Leo F. and Betty P. (Mears) in Montpelier.

June 2—Eastman, infant, son of Everett C. and Bertha M. (Rabine) in Barre.

Sept. 12—Edwards, Nyra Jane, daughter of George A. and Edna E. (Kennelty) in Barre.

Aug. 12—Felch, Alton Stacey, son of Neal A. and Janice M. (MacKeil) in Barre.

July 10—Kennedy, Clifford Ralph, son of Glenn and Mildred I. (Austin).

July 10—Kennedy, Clayton Willis, son of Glenn and Mildred I. (Austin).

Aug. 27—Lezer, Susan Mary, daughter of Leon R. and Phyllis A. (Rogers) in Barre.

Oct. 9—Lyford, Richard Willis, son of George C. and Thelma (Burbank) in Barre.

Jan. 29—MacAskill, Lee Roderick, son of Donald R. and Janice M. (Briggs) in Barre.

July 29—Niles, Sharon Ellen, daughter of David A. and Natalie J. (Keyser) in Barre.

May 29—Pratt, Richard Wendell, son of Elmer D. and Olive I. (Tilton) in Barre.

Nov. 20—Taylor, Donna Lee, daughter of Fred Waldo and Antoinette G. (Verge) in Barre.

Dec. 20—Burbank, Bonnie Lee, daughter of Clinton Austin and Norma Maude (Eddy) in Barre.

Deaths

Feb. 16, 1945—Coburn, Robert Clarence, aged 20 years (in Germany).

May 30—DeAlmeida, Elizabeth, aged 66 years, 9 months, 29 days (in Barre).

June 2—Eastman, Infant, aged 10 hrs., 45 minutes (in Barre).

Mar. 26—Griffin, Infant (in Barre).

Jan. 14—Kennedy, Herbert R., aged 77 years, 2 months, 19 days (in Barre).

May 24—Paul, Myrtie, aged 76 years, 2 months (in Barre).

Jan. 29—Slack, Harry, aged 71 years, 1 month, 17 days (in Barre).

Marriages

April 25—Lawrence E. Carey of Chelsea and Zilla Doyle Miles of Chelsea.

June 13—Kenneth Owen McFarlane of Chelsea and Bessie May Blanchard of Chelsea.

June 23—Kennette T. Borkman of Chelsea and Doris L. Parker of Chelsea.

June 30—Francis E. Wheeler of Worcester, Mass., and Wilma Churchill Kennedy of Chelsea.

July 24—Maurice Wells Gibbs, Jr., of Rochester, Vt., and Margaret Alice LaPorte of Chelsea.

July 31—George Moote of Tunbridge and Marvel Larkin Woodbeck of Chelsea.

Sept. 10—George Anthony Dacier, Jr., of Chelsea and Alberta Shaw Gassett of Chelsea.

Nov. 13—Philip A. Farnham, Jr., of Tunbridge and Jean Mary Hatch of Chelsea.

Nov. 26—William Keith Roberts of Chelsea and Gertrude Asenath Dodge of Chelsea.

Nov. 26—Alfred Kenneth Boardman of Chelsea and Phyllis Arline Mattoon of Chelsea.

Nov. 20—Hoyt Edward Battey of Saylesville, R. I., and Jean Davis of Chelsea.

Nov. 27—James Edgar Wilkinson of Chelsea and Betty Irene Walker of Cabot.

Dec. 10—Francis Robert Cahill of Chelsea and Pauline Morey of Chelsea.

13. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money for the support of the Chelsea Public Library, and if so, how much.

14. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money for the observance of Memorial day, and if so, how much.

15. To see if the town will vote to collect taxes on real and personal property in installments.

16. To see if the town will vote to fix the compensation of town officers, and if so, how much.

17. To see if the town will vote to have its fiscal year end December 31, 1949.

18. To see if the town will authorize its selectmen to contract with Chelsea Fire District No. 1 for fire protection of buildings and other property of the town outside said Fire District and within the town for the year beginning April 1, 1949.

19. To vote on these questions:

Shall licenses for the sale of malt and vinous beverages be granted in this town?

Shall spirituous liquors be sold in this town?

20 To transact any other proper business.

ANGIER EDWARDS,
DEAN H. GILMAN,
O. E. BURGESS,
Selectmen.

Chelsea, Vt., Feb. 15, 1949.

WARNING

The legal voters of the Town and Town School District of Chelsea are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Town Hall in Chelsea on Tuesday, the 1st day of March, A. D. 1949, at 10:30 o'clock A. M., to act on the following articles:

1. To choose a moderator and town clerk.

2. To receive and act upon the reports of the several town officers.

3. To see if the town will authorize its selectmen to appoint a road commissioner, and if so, whether one or two shall be appointed.

4. To choose all necessary officers for the town and town school district for the ensuing term.

5. To see if the legal voters will vote to reconsider the action and vote taken at the special Town Meeting held October 1, 1948 with respect to Article 1 in the warning for said meeting, which reads as follows: "To see if the town will vote to repair or remodel the present high school gymnasium, or construct a new gymnasium."

6. To see if the legal voters will vote to reconsider the action and vote taken by the legal voters at the special Town Meeting held October 1, 1948 with respect to Article 2 in the warning for said meeting, which reads as follows: "To see if the Town will raise a sum of money therefor and, if so, how much."

7. To see what amount of tax the town school district will vote for the maintenance of schools.

8. To see what amount of tax the town will vote for the maintenance of highways.

9. To raise money to pay the indebtedness of the town and current expenses for the ensuing year.

10. To see what amount tax the town school district will vote to retire the indebtedness caused by building the High School Gymnasium.

11. To see if the town will authorize its selectmen to borrow money from time to time when necessary to carry on the business of the town.

12. To see if the town will vote to place its tax bills in the hands of the Town Treasurer for collection.

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Annual
TOWN REPORT
Chelsea, Vt.

Year Ended December 31, 1949

Annual Report

Town of

Chelsea, Vermont

December 31, 1949

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BRING THIS REPORT TO TOWN MEETING

Chelsea Job Press, Printers, Chelsea, Vt.

TOWN OFFICERS 1949-1950

Moderator,		F. Ray Keyser
Clerk,		Esther Smith
	Dean H. Gilman,	Term expires 1950
Selectmen	Oliver E. Burgess,	Term expires 1951
	Angier M. J. Edwards,	Term expires 1952
Treasurer,		Esther Smith
Overseer of Poor,		Selectmen
Road Commissioner,		George D. Lyford
Constables,		Chauncey C. Liese, John Rowell
Collector of Taxes,		Chauncey C. Liese
	Berthold C. Coburn,	Term expires 1950
Listers,	Percy J. Heath,	Term expires 1951
	George Bradshaw,	Term expires 1952
	Mrs. G. E. Chase,	Term expires 1950
Trustees of Public Money,	H. L. Hayward,	Term expires 1951
	Frank W. Button,	Term expires 1952
	Fred C. Dickinson,	Term expires 1950
School Directors,	Franklin D. Burbank,	Term expires 1951
	I. S. Rushworth,	Term expires 1952
	*Raymond R. Rogers,	Term expires 1950
Auditors,	*Mrs. Geo. A. Dacier, Jr.,	Term expires 1950
	David C. Gilman,	Term expires 1952

* Appointed

	Nellie S. Hood,	Term expires 1950
	O. Fay Allen, Jr.,	Term expires 1951
Trustees of Public Library,	M. S. Bicknell,	Term expires 1952
	Martha Ordway,	Term expires 1953
	Vacancy,	Term expires 1954
Superintendent of Schools,		A. C. Parker
Clerk of School Board,		Fred C. Dickinson
Town Grand Jurors,		O. Fay Allen, Jr., William Roberts
Town Agent		O. Fay Allen, Jr.
Surveyor of Wood and Lumber,		William A. Reed
Fence Viewers,		George P. Bradshaw, Sabin T. Densmore
Weigher of Coal,		Henry F. Gates
Pound Keeper,		Everett F. Spear
Supervisor Old Age Assistance,		O. Fay Allen
	S. C. Wilson,	Term expires 1950
	Edward B. Hatch,	Term expires 1951
Cemetery Commissioners,	Percy J. Heath,	Term expires 1952
	O. Fay Allen,	Term expires 1953
	E. Harold Colby,	Term expires 1954

TOWN OF CHELSEA, VT.

1949

Population 1,007 (last census), Area 23,818 acres, Altitude 840 feet. Miles of Highways, 92.90, of which 10 miles is State Highway.

Real and Personal Grand List	$ 6,081.03
Polls, 479	479.00
Total Grand List	$ 6,560.03

Comparative Statements

Year	Grand List	Tax Rate
1945	$6,313.84	$3.75
1946	6,236.91	4.25
1947	6,313.01	4.77
1948	6,553.94	5.77
1949	6,560.03	6.00

Total Tax Raised

(School and Old Age Included)

1945	$24,773.71
1946	27,677.11
1947	31,304.28
1948	39,008.00
1949	40,557.67

TOWN ACCOUNT

Assets—What We Own

(Real estate and personal property not included)

Uncollected taxes		$ 6,407.99
U. S. War Bonds (sale of cannon)		37.50
Cash on hand		
General Town account	$ 626.80	
General Highway	75.61	
Dental Unit	.58	
		702.99
		$ 7,148.48

Liabilities — What We Owe

On notes at bank—Selectmen	$ 10,000.00
Outstanding orders	111.74
On notes at bank for gymnasium	29,500.00
	$ 39,611.74
Jan. 1, 1950, excess of liabilities over assets, net indebtedness	$ 32,463.26

INVENTORY OF TOWN PROPERTY

(Real estate listed as per listers' appraisal)

Real Estate—		
Laird farm	$ 1,000.00	
Garage	1,500.00	
Town forest	50.00	
Town hall	10,000.00	
Town barn	300.00	
Blake house	1,000.00	
		$ 13,850.00
Dential equipment	$ 900.00	
Office equipment	200.00	
Town hall equipment	200.00	
Road Machine	150.00	
Chains, tools, wrenches, etc.	150.00	
3 Indian pack pumps	25.00	
Tractors and plows	9,000.00	
Ford truck	150.00	
Barco drill and drills	250.00	
		$ 11,025.00
Materials and supplies on hand—		
Lumber and posts	$ 25.00	
Fuel oil, lub. oil and grease	125.00	
Wood at Town hall and garage	218.00	
		$ 368.00
Total		$ 25,243.00

School Property

School building in District No. 1	$ 1,000.00	
School building in District No. 2	4,000.00	
Athletic field	500.00	
School building in District No. 5	1,000.00	
School building in District No. 8	500.00	
School building in District No. 9	1,000.00	
School building in District No. 10	800.00	
Gymnasium	30,000.00	
Agricultural building	8,000.00	
		$ 46,800.00
Equipment, furniture, etc.		500.00
Books and supplies		500.00
Lumber on hand (gym)		510.00
Total		$ 47,310.00

Total value of Town property	$ 24,343.00
Total value of school property	47,310.00
	$ 71,653.00

TREASURER'S REPORT

General Account

Receipts

Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1949		$ 3,382.97
From C. C. Liese, Collector—		
On 1949 list	$ 12,923.13	
Delinquent taxes	1,251.97	
		$ 14,175.10
From State Treasurer—		
Winter roads	$ 1,521.21	
State Aid	1,372.17	
Unselected roads	8,427.06	
Dust laying on highways	97.23	
		$ 11,417.67
From Selectmen—		
Dust laying on highways		97.23
From Road Commissioner—		
Use of equipment		332.00
Money borrowed		15,000.00
Rebate on abated taxes		7.27
Sale of 2 old hearses		35.00
Town report to Gladys Currier		.25
Telephone call		.17
Bowen Hunter, 10 gals. fuel oil		1.38
Town of Washington, plowing		39.23
Town of Vershire, plowing		24.88
Fred Hath, plowing		8.30
Liquor license		25.00
Sale of lumber		2.80
O. E. Burgess, refund		5.00
Use of Barco drill		5.00
Refund to Overseer		760.28
Hilas E. Roberts Fund, for electricity		25.00
Refund on order No. 84		76.80
Sale of 1 bag of chloride		1.65
Conn. Valley Constr., replacing pipe at fountain		40.90
State Aid, use of equipment		318.20
Unselected Highway, use of equipment		853.04
Use of truck and jackhammer		2.75

Use of bulldozer		313.50
Interest on bonds		7.87
Use of truck		56.06
Sale of dog licenses, minus fees		414.00
Rent of hall		663.50
Total Receipts		$ 48,092.80

Disbursements

Paid Selectmens' orders—		
General account	$ 28,553.45	
Unselected	8,447.21	
Snow Roads	1,317.52	
State Aid	1,591.50	
		$ 39,909.68
Paid Road Commissioner's orders		4,345.24
Paid Overseers' orders		3,134.89
Total disbursements		$ 47,389.81
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1950		702.99
		$ 48,092.80

Outstanding orders

General Account—	
No. 63—Oct. 8, 1949, West Hill Church	$ 19.50
No. 111—Dec. 1, 1949, Mrs. C. C. Liese	1.95
No. 145—Dec. 31, 1949, C. C. Liese, collector	27.30
	$ 48.75
Overseer's Account—	
No. 628—Dec. 26, 1949, Dept. of Social Welfare	$ 62.99

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

The indebtedness of the town in the general account has been reduced the past year, due to the fact that we operated under a short year of eleven months instead of twelve.

According to the figures of the auditors we are $1,268.69 less in debt on Jan. 1, 1950 than on Feb. 1, 1949.

Our uncollected taxes are almost double what they were Feb. 1, 1949 the amount being $6,407.99. We would recommend that these be collected.

We would call your attention to the fact that we had to buy a house to care for some of our welfare de-

pendents, this was $1,000.00. We had to have a lot of repair work done on our snow plows and this item was $1,873.50 and also tractors and bulldozer $1,332.55.

Bridges cost more and will during the coming year. Other items have increased in proportion and some decreased.

We wouldn't expect the expense of heavy machinery would be as much during the coming year. Although the time is not far distance when the town will have to buy a truck and perhaps a grader.

We would recommend the same town tax the coming year for running expenses and reduction of the debt.

Respectfully,

D. H. GILMAN,
O. E. BURGESS,
ANGIER EDWARDS,
Selectmen

SELECTMEN'S ACCOUNT

Summary of Orders Drawn

Town Officers	$ 1,127.94
Town Hall and Clerk's Office	1,186.39
Insurance	197.04
Bulldozer and tractors	1,332.55
Taxes assessed	2,375.21
Truck	553.47
Grader	50.93
Snow plows	1,873.50
Bridges	824.47
Interest	276.36
Commons	88.00
Dog damage	45.00
Appropriations	797.23
Jack Hammer	23.75
Streets	343.75
Money borrowed	15,000.00
Miscellaneous	2,270.32
	$ 28,365.91

Town Officers

F. R. Keyser, auditor and postage	$ 45.03
D. H. Gilman, selectman	25.00
Angier Edwards, selectman	25.00
O. E. Burgess, chairman selectmen	100.00

Bonds Town Officers, O. F. Allen agt.		75.00
Esther Smith, town clerk and postage		36.50
B. C. Coburn, lister		100.80
George Bradshaw, lister		90.00
P. J. Heath, lister		30.00
David Gilman, auditor		24.00
E. H. Colby, auditor		32.00
S. T. Welch, overseer of poor		75.00
Esther Smith, town treasurer		125.00
O. Fay Allen, health officer		19.33
C. C. Liese, tax collector		325.28
	$	1,127.94

Town Hall and Clerk's Office

A. C. Coburn, janitor service and cash paid for supplies	$	537.30
Central Vermont Public Service Corp., lighting		64.87
W. S. Gilman, wood		320.00
D. H. Gilman, labor on steps		7.20
A. F. Sanborn, labor and materials		187.74
Green Mt. Appliance Co., sharpening lawn mowers		5.50
E. H. Colby, grass seed		5.26
F. R. and E. S. Keyser, water rent		12.00
Chelsea Job Press, supplies		9.72
Robbins and Robbins, supplies		9.19
Naef Hdw. Co., supplies		1.17
Fred C. Dickinson, supplies		26.44
	$	1,186.39

Insurance

O. Fay Allen, agent	$	110.04
Farm Bureau Mutual Auto. Ins. Co.		46.80
Merle Colby, agent		40.20
	$	197.04

Bulldozer and Tractor

Shell Oil Co., fuel oil	$	205.63
Casellini Venable Corp., parts and track		828.27
Messier Mfg. Co., welding		9.50
Kennedy's Garage, labor and supplies		24.00
Northeastern Petroleum Co., oils and grease		120.45
Naef Hdw. Co., supplies		5.90
D. E. Burgess, trip to Barre and cash		

paid for parts		2.80
Jack Kennedy, labor		40.00
G. D. Lyford, labor		15.00
Ernest Royce, labor		13.20
Dwight McCullough, labor		52.00
Green Mt. Appliance Co., work on generator		3.00
H. F. Gates, gas and supplies		12.80
	$	1,332.55

Taxes Assessed

C. C. Liese, town property and fire tax	$	187.43
H. N. Mattison Treas., 2c county tax		131.08
State Treasurer. State Road tax		774.46
State Treas., Old Age Assistance Tax		1,075.50
Orange County Agricultural Extension Service		206.74
		2,375.21

Truck

Motor Vehicle Dept., license	$	10.00
Kennedy's Garage, labor and parts		113.88
H. F. Gates, gas and oil		198.93
Lafleys Garage, gas, oil, repairs and tire		99.86
Green Mt. Appliance Co., overhauling generator		1.00
H. N. Sanborn & Son, tires and repair		115.00
Messier Body Shop, repairs		14.80
	$	553.47

Grader

Messier Mfg. Co., welding and repairs	$	24.62
Vermont Road Equip. Co. Inc., blades		13.59
Casellini Venable Corp., blades		11.70
Kennedy's Garage, gas and labor		1.02
	$	50.93

Snow Plows

Lafley's Garage, battery and battery charging	$	22.75
Casellini Venable Corp., parts		294.44
Kennedy's Garage, welding and rods		9.93
Messier Mfg. Co., labor, welding, and parts		1,449.23
O. E. Burgess, labor and cash paid for supplies		14.39
Jack Kennedy, labor		25.38

G. D. Lyford, labor		21.30
Mike Kennedy, labor		24.88
Richard Kennedy, labor		11.20
	$	1,873.50

Bridges

Ernest Royce, labor	$	50.80
G. D. Lyford, labor		60.25
W. S. Gilman, labor		4.80
W. W. Rogers, labor		5.60
D. H. Gilman, labor		24.70
Elwin Kendall, labor		8.80
David McLeod, labor		4.40
Archie Dupres, labor		3.20
Maurice McCullough, labor		10.00
Dwight McCullough Jr., labor		9.00
Melvin Deroleau, labor		28.80
John Regan, labor		5.20
Cecile Densmore, labor		6.00
Jack Kennedy, driving bulldozer		31.25
Messier Mfg. Co., loading stone		4.37
O. E. Burgess, labor, trucking, and cash paid for supplies		146.70
Kenneth Colby, skidding and hauling hemlock		45.00
Walter Druge, stringers, skidding and trucking		32.25
H. E. Slack, hemlock		27.20
T. N. Hill, stringers		30.00
Albion Jones, plank		270.90
C. C. Liese, sawing plank		15.25
	$	824.47

Interest

Orange County Branch National White River Bank in Bethel	$	276.36

Commons

O. E. Burgess, raking and use of truck	$	29.80
O. E. Burgess, mowing and trimming		58.20
	$	88.00

Dog Damage

Franklin Burbank, 1 sheep killed	$	10.00
Eleanor Boyd, 2 sheep killed		20.00

Robert Button, 1 sheep killed		15.00
	$	45.00

Appropriations

The Chelsea Public Library (O. Fay Allen Jr.)	$	500.00
Memorial Day, (W. A. Reed)		100.00
State Aid Road, dust laying, Esther Smith Treas.		97.23
Fire Protection, (C. F. D. No. 1)		100.00
	$	797.23

Jack Hammer

Trow & Holden, sharpening drills	$	21.00
Trow & Holden, 1 dust spoon		2.75
	$	23.75

Streets

Central Vermont Public Service Corp., lighting streets and bridges	$	343.75

Money Borrowed

Orange Country Branch National White River Bank in Bethel	$	15,000.00

Miscellaneous

Tuttle Co., supplies for town clerk	$	50.32
Collector of Internal Revenue, tax error		1.00
Wheeler & Clark, dog tags		7.82
Dean H. Gilman, attending road meeting		7.40
O. E. Burgess, attending road meeting		5.00
Ellis Fay, cutting tree		6.00
G. D. Lyford, labor on fountain		8.50
Ernest Royce, labor on fountain		6.80
Melvin Deroleau, labor on fountain		6.80
A. F. Sanborn, labor and supplies		24.45
The Chemical Corp., choloride		334.24
Ernest Royce, mowing and raking old cemetery		13.20
Henry Royce, mowing and raking old cemetery		12.40
C. C. Liese, dog warrant and postage		10.65
Esther Smith, Treas., to refund unselected acct		5.00
F. D. Blake and Edith Young, real estate		1,000.00
Ernest Royce, labor on stone		8.20
O. E. Burgess, labor on stone and express paid		13.25

John Bellefuielle, care of bridge lights	2.50
Lawrence Allen, mowing and raking Lincoln and Allen Cemeteries	6.00
O. E. Burgess, work on highway survey	9.20
Treas. West Hill Church, ministerial money	19.50
H. D. Flanders, Treas. United Churches, ministerial money	39.00
Dr. F. A. Caccavo, medical service at accident	8.00
International Salt Co., salt	76.80
O. Fay Allen Jr., probate fees (Zilla Carey)	19.50
John W. Griffiths, service of petition (Zilla Carey)	1.80
John W. Griffiths, service of order (Zilla Carey)	1.80
G. D. Lyford, labor at garage	17.00
Mike Kennedy, labor at garage	4.00
Chelsea Job Press, printing and supplies	193.56
Central Vt. Public Service Corp. lighting garage	16.95
Mrs. C. C. Liese, advertising	12.30
New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co., local service and tolls	72.55
O. E. Burgess, cash paid for postage and supplies	10.87
Jack Kennedy, driving bulldozer	84.38
E. H. Colby, tolls and supplies	23.74
Messier Mfg. Co., repairing chains etc.	17.86
Wilson & Keyser, services as town council	78.81
Highland Cemetery, refund of goverment bonds	2.87
A. C. Colburn, putting bridge lights	3.00
C. C. Liese, abated taxes	27.30
	$ 2,270.32

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Our town highway system comprises 92.90 miles of roads divided as follows: 8.0 miles "state aid" highway. 10.75 miles "state" highway and 74.15 miles "town" highway.

The state highway consists of the highway from Tunbridge Town line to the Washington Town line and from the junction at the Bank Block to the Vershire line. The State Aid Highways are the roads from Dens-

more's corner to the Brookfield Town line above Irving Hood's and from the junction near James Kennedy's to the Arthur Bacon place and from the Strafford bridge to the Tunbridge Town line on the Strafford road. The balance are Town Highways.

General Highway Account

George D. Lyford, Road Commissioner

Money Available

Balance Feb. 1, 1949	$	144.83
Town Tax of $.60		3,936.02
Total Available	$	4,080.85
Total Orders Drawn		4,005.24
Balance Jan. 1, 1950	$	75.61

General Highway

Ernest Royce, labor	$	275.10
Fredie Grant, labor		28.80
Charlie L. Lyford, labor		163.90
Cecil Densmore, labor		78.10
George D. Lyford, labor		446.52
O. E. Burgess, labor		132.30
Donald Ramsey, labor		46.00
Alton Felch, labor with tractor		149.50
Warren Mattoon, labor with tractor		43.70
E. H. Colby, hardware		6.50
Waldo Taylor, labor with tractor		77.05
Lionel Roberts, labor with tractor		68.00
Neaf Hardware Co., hardware		11.02
Bernard Brown, use of shovel		7.00
John Hayward, labor with truck		19.20
Clyde Hook, labor		27.20
Walter Drugs, labor with team		111.20
Elmer C. Woodworth, labor with team		20.80
Walter Grant, labor		154.80
Ernest Luce, labor with team		127.20
H. G. Lyford, labor with tractor		151.95
Dan Hale, labor with team		130.40
Bud Holmes, labor with truck		29.80
E. G. LaFrancis, labor		68.80
W. A. Reed, labor		7.20
Athol Coburn, labor with team		57.60

Ed. Paul, labor with team	32.00
Paul Libby, labor with tractor	133.40
Alfred Boardman, labor	20.40
Mike Kennedy, labor with truck	292.50
George Hayward, labor with truck	311.10
George C. Lyford, labor with tractor	85.30
Tex Marshey, labor	2.40
Victor Forrester, labor	3.60
Nelson Dukett, labor with team	104.00
Mrs. Harley Sutton, toll	3.37
Mark Dunbar, labor	47.20
Melvin Deroleau, labor	113.70
Merle Colby, labor	154.30
Mrs. George Chase, wire and labor	5.00
B. A. Goodrick, labor	3.20
Harry O'Donnell, labor	44.00
Roger Gilman, labor with tractor	29.95
Richard Kennedy, labor	8.00
O. Fay Allen, bond	20.00
Internal Revenue Tax, taxes	47.80
Vt. Explosive Co., explosive	22.88
Guy Moxley, 612 yds. gravel @ 10c yd	61.20
Stanley C. Wilson, 203 yds. gravel @ 10c yd.	20.30
	$ 4,005.24

Unselected Highways

Balance Feb. 1, 1949	$ 1.49
Received from State	8,427.06
Received from C. F. D. No. 1	13.66
Refund	5.00
Amount Available	$ 8,447.21
Orders drawn	8,447.21
Account Balanced	

Orders

G. D. Lyford, labor	$ 397.20
Melvin Deroleau, labor	283.60
Cecil Densmore, labor	128.10
C. L. Lyford, labor	10.00
E. G. & F. R. Thorne, labor	7.60
Dwight McCullough, labor	32.00
Richard Tucker, labor	70.60
Arthur Grant, labor	8.80

Donald Ramsay, labor	22.20
Maurice McCullough, labor	4.00
Merle Colby, driving tractor	12.50
Jack Kennedy, driving bulldozer	111.19
Ernest Royce, labor and driving tractor	345.00
Put Kennedy, labor with chain saw	3.00
Ernest Luce, man and team	27.20
Vermont Concrete Pipe Co., culverts	254.80
New Eng. Metal Culvert Co., culverts	203.06
Guy Bowin, posts	1.80
E. H. Colby, 1 reel wire	8.50
S. C. Wilson, 112 yds. gravel	11.20
G. F. Moxley, 7071 yds. gravel	707.10
H. F. Sutton, 1c toll 1902 loads	19.02
Esther Smith, Treas., use of truck, grader and bulldozer	853.04
Kenneth Colby, moving bulldozer	15.00
J. M. Hayward, self, man and 2 trucks	521.50
O. E. Burgess, self and truck	664.10
Arthur Beede, man and truck	374.40
Stanley Davis, man and truck	345.60
Walter Grant, self and truck	456.80
Mike Kennedy, self and truck	379.20
G. H. Hayward, self and truck	336.80
Don Orr, self and truck	360.06
Ed Lafley, man and truck	302.90
Willard Martin, man, truck and shovel	1,083.80
Collector of Internal Revenue, witholding tax	85.60
	$ 8,447.21

G. D. Lyford $23.30, Melvin Deroleau $26.80 Cecil Densmore $12.70, Ernest Royce $2.80, G. H. Hayward 80c, Richard Tucker $6.60, O. E. Burgess $12.60.

Snow Roads

Received from Washington	$ 39.23
Received from Vershire	24.88
Received from Fred Hoth Jr.	8.30
Received from State of Vermont	1,521.21
	$ 1,593.62
Orders drawn	1,264.02
Balance on hand	$ 329.60

Orders

E. H. Kennedy Jr., labor	$	41.45
Ernest Royce, labor		8.00
Tex Marshey, labor		4.80
Charles Titus, labor		27.80
Bernard Brown, labor		11.50
Melvin Deroleau, labor		3.60
Lewis Austin, labor		9.60
Richard Kennedy, labor		80.80
Jack Kennedy, labor		103.52
G. D. Lyford, labor		239.75
Victor Forrester, labor		84.60
Carroll Jackson, self and team		18.35
Warren Hook, plowing snow		7.70
Lyman Burbank, plowing snow		21.18
Waldo Taylor, plowing snow		44.28
Harry O'Donnell, plowing snow		15.50
Mike Kennedy, self and truck		240.79
G. H. Hayward, self and truck		73.20
O. E. Burgess, self and truck		66.60
Walter Grant, labor		54.00
Town of Tunbridge, use of shovel		15.00
Mrs. Everett Cowin, 152 yds. sand		15.20
Esther Smith, Treas, refund International Salt Co., invoice		76.80
	$	1,264.02

State Aid Highways

Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1949	$	24.87
Received from State		1,372.17
Received from State, (dust laying)		97.23
Received from Town, (dust laying)		97.23
Amount available	$	1,591.50
Orders drawn		1,591.50
Account balanced		

Orders

Ernest Royce, labor	$	79.30
G. D. Lyford, labor		80.60
Cecil Densmore, labor		17.60
Melvin Deroleau, labor		60.90
Merle Colby, labor		9.00
Jack Kennedy, labor		20.63

C. L. Lyford, labor	23.30
Arthur Beede, man and truck	28.80
Stanley Davis, man and truck	28.80
Walter Grant, self and truck	35.60
Mike Kennedy, self and truck	28.80
G. H. Hayward, self and truck	28.80
O. E. Burgess, labor, truck	102.90
J. M. Hayward, self, man and trucks	49.60
Willard Martin, man, truck and shovel	82.80
New Eng. Metal Culvert Co., culverts	547.09
S. C. Wilson, 376 yds. gravel 10c	37.60
H. F. Sutton, 1c toll on 88 loads	.88
Esther Smith, Treas., use of truck, grader and bulldozer	318.20
Collector of Internal Revenue, witholding tax G. L. Lyford $3.80, Melvin Deroleau $2.70, C. L. Lyford $2.70, O. E. Burgess $1.10.	10.30
	$ 1,591.50

OVERSEER'S REPORT

Orders drawn by L. T. Welch, overseer of the poor, acting for the Board of Selectmen.

Vermont State Dept. of Social Welfare, for dependent children	$ 657.98
DuPont children care	189.56
Mark Dunbar	240.00
Dave Blakeney	36.25
Guy Coburn	76.00
Sarah Beede	168.29
Richard Beede	130.85
Dorothy Dukett	137.25
Dorothy Keyes	58.05
Francis Robert Cahill	157.24
Zilla Carey	51.00
Wendall Magoon	74.05
Mrs. Jean Brown	45.68
Orville Ladd	33.00
Nora Braman	31.95
Lilla Willard	90.00
Walter Underhill	108.68
Transients	4.00
Robert Raymond Beede	379.47

Mrs. Chas. Cleaves	8.78
Samuel Chase	319.24
Total orders drawn	$ 2,997.32

L. T. WELCH

ROBERT'S POOR FUND

Disbursements for the benefit of 5 persons and families for year	$ 425.75
Flour for members of the board	40.00
	$ 465.75

TREASURER'S REPORT

In account with Robert's Poor Fund

Receipts

Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1949	$ 588.22
Interest on Savings Account	1.76
	$ 589.98

Disbursements

Paid orders drawn by board	$ 535.47
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1950	$ 54.51

VERMONT
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE

Montpelier, Vermont

In accordance with established custom, we are presenting a summary of State assistance payments during 1949 to individuals applying from Chelsea.

These payments are financed entirely from State and Federal sources except Aid to Dependent Children in which the town or city participates to the extent of 12½ percent and committed children for whom the municipality reimburses the State for one-half the cost. The cost of all programs reflects to a large degree the economic consequences of the devaluation of the American Dollar in terms of purchasing power and its effect on savings and investments.

Approximately 80 percent of all welfare and assistance in Vermont is now paid by the State. Vermont has proportionately fewer individuals receiving aid and smaller average payments than the National average.

Over 95 cents out of each public assistance dollar is paid to recipients and less than 5 cents is used for administration. No other State has a better record.

Old Age Assistance	$ 14,170.50
Aid to the Blind	1,481.25
Aid to Dependent Children	4,722.70
Adult Crippled Aid	276.00
Committed Children	504.96
Total	$ 21,155.41

W. ARTHUR SIMPSON,
Commissioner

REPORT OF CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

The following new funds have been added this year:

Mrs. John Flanders, lot No. 24½	$ 100.00
Walter Beckwith, lot No. 212	100.00
Mrs. Josephine Lougee and Mrs. Alice Sterling lot No. 208	150.00
Mrs. Sarah A. Flint, lot No. 330	150.00
Mrs. Josephine Davis, lot No. 54	100.00
John P. Davis Est., lot No. 258	100.00
Henry Burbank, lot No. 263	100.00
Alice P. and Mary E. Emery, lot No. 104	100.00
Mrs. Hope Garfield, lot No. 94¾	100.00
E. H. Kennedy, lot No. 315	100.00
Mrs. Ella W. Briggs, lot No. G 2	100.00
	$ 1,200.00

With the exception of lot No. 94¾ these funds are all in addition to funds already on the lots.

Orders Drawn by Chairman

J. B. Hill, labor		$ 391.33
W. A. Reed, labor		291.55
Chelsea Job Press, printing		8.75
Merle G. Colby, labor with tractor		6.00
Margaret McFarlane, refund paid for care of full lot, owns ½ lot		2.00
Esther E. Smith, services as Treas.	$ 20.00	
Cash paid for postage	4.40	
		24.40
E. H. Colby, services as Supt.	$ 10.00	

Lawn mower and supplies	28.25	
		38.25
Total		$ 762.28

TREASURER'S CEMETERY REPORT

Receipts

Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1949	$ 164.18
Rec'd from Hilas E. Roberts Cemetery Fund, care of lots for 1948 and 1949	20.00
Sale of lot to Mrs. Hope Garfield	25.00
Interest on U. S. Bonds	342.87
City Institution for Saving, interest from Joel Ordway Fund	2.25
From individuals for care of lots	236.00
Total	$ 790.30

Disbursements

Paid 35 orders drawn	$ 760.28
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1950	$ 30.02
Outstanding order:	
No. 660 Dec. 29, 1949 Mrs. Margaret McFarlane	$ 2.00

CEMETERY TRUST FUND

By the Auditors

Total funds Feb. 1, 1949	$ 18,714.07
Funds added per report	1,200.00
Total funds Dec. 31, 1949	$ 19,914.07
These funds are invested as follows:	
U. S. Savings Bonds, Series G	$ 19,500.00
Saving acct. in Chelsea Bank	114.07
Savings acct. in City Inst. for Savings, Lowell, Mass.	300.00
	$ 19,914.07

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC MONEY FOR THE WEST HILL CEMETERY

Balance in Bank Feb. 1, 1949	$ 8.67
Cash on hand	15.83
Received Interest on Gov't Bonds	41.25

Interest on Bank Account		.14
Received for care of lots:		
Mrs. A. G. Bradshaw		2.00
Mrs. S. C. Wilson, care of E. N. Bacon lot		2.00
Mrs. George Chase 1948-49		4.00
Received from M. W. Gove, Adms. for perpetual care of H. T. and Cora Walker lot, Bond No. C5, 660, 275G,		100.00
Sold one bond, No. C829,772, to pay for work in Cemetery		96.10
	$	269.99
Paid Bank for Bond for H. T. and Cora Walker lot	$	100.00
Paid for resetting stones		10.50
Paid Edwin La Francis, mowing lots		35.00
Paid A. L. Hayward, cutting brush		38.50
Paid for cement		10:35
Paid for labor setting posts, moving rocks self and help		30.35
Balance in Bank Jan. 1, 1950		15.06
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1950		30.23
	$	269.99
Due from Joe Horton for lot	$	5.00
Due from Everett Eastman for lot		10.00

HARRY L. HAYWARD,
For Trustees

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT OF THE HILLAS E. ROBERTS CEMETERY FUND

Principal of Fund — $500.00		
Balance in Savings Acct. Feb. 1, 1949	$	76.67
Rec'd interest on same		.42
Rec'd interest on U. S. Bond		6.25
	$	83.34
Disbursements for care of Lot A		20.00
Balance in Savings Acct Jan. 1, 1950	$	63.34

TOWNSEND FUND FOR CARE OF STREET APPROACH TO HIGHLAND CEMETERY

Principal of Fund — $803.36

Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1949	$	20.80
Interest on Savings and U. S. Bond		10.26
	$	31.06
Paid for labor		14.80
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1950	$	16.26

ADA HALL JACKSON FUND FOR THE CARE OF TREES ON HIGHLAND AVENUE

Principal of Fund — $500.00

Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1949	$	12.55
Interest on Savings and U. S. Bond		6.34
	$	18.89
No Disbursements		
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1950	$	18.89

REPORT OF CHELSEA AND ALDEN SPEAR MEMORIAL BUILDING

Report of Librarian

The circulation of books and magazines during the year has been 6,013.

41 books were purchased. 26 were adult and 15 juvenile. Also the How and Why Library Series for younger children.

The Library has received as gifts during the year 184 books and magazines. Three of these were given in memory of Mrs. Underhill and Mrs. Cook by friends and 12 were received from the Book Club.

Boxes have been sent to the rural schools and the Village graded school has borrowed material, also books have been loaned to teachers in the surrounding towns.

Books on the High School reading lists have been arranged on shelves where the younger people can find them readily accessible.

The Book-mo-bile has made its regular visits leaving books for Adults and Juveniles, and special material requested by the patrons.

Respectfully submitted,
(Mrs.) INA J. STEVENS, Librarian

REPORT OF LIBRARY TREASURER

Receipts

Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1949	$	147.88
Town appropriation		500.00
Received from sale of stove		40.00
Income from Stow Fund		32.00
Income from Braley Fund		5.00
Rentals and fines		34.33
Cash received		23.06
Total Receipts	$	782.27

Expenditures

Librarian and assistant	$	198.21
Books		172.14
Periodicals		48.95
Janitor service, including spring and fall cleaning		72.00
Fuel		48.05
Supplies		30.22
Stationery and labels		4.50
Payment of bank note		75.00
Fire insurance premium		24.96
Postage and box-rent		4.16
Total Expenditures	$	678.19
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1950	$	104.08

Respectfully submitted,

MARTHA T. ORDWAY,
Treasurer

TAXES ABATED

Barbara Scott — 1944 and '45 Polls	$	12.50
Byron Downing — 1942 Poll		6.30
Clara Battey — 1949 Poll, claims no residence		8.50
	$	27.30

REPORT OF DOGS LICENSED BY TOWN CLERK

184 dogs were licensed and after fees were deducted, $414.00 was turned over to the Town Treasurer.

REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR Jan. 1, 1950

C. C. Liese, Tax Collector

Year		Uncollected Feb. 1, '49	Collected	Uncollected Jan. 1, '50
1939	Property	$ 6.68	$	$ 6.68
1940	Property	22.40		22.40
1941	Property	7.60		7.60
1942	Polls	12.60	12.60	
1943	Polls	12.50		12.50
1944	Property	18.75		18.75
1944	Polls	6.25	6.25	
1945	Property	81.19	81.19	
1945	Polls	15.00	8.75	6.25
1946	Property	271.56	152.25	119.31
1946	Polls	27.00	20.25	6.75
1947	Property	590.89	156.02	434.87
1947	Polls	29.08	.75	28.33
1948	Property	2,006.51	673.89	1,332.62
1948	Polls	205.52	140.02	65.50
1949	Property	36,486.17	32,752.40	3,733.87
1949	Polls	4,071.50	3,458.84	612.66
Total		$43,871.20	37,463.21	6,407.99

DELINQUENT TAXES

January 1, 1950

Adams, Harold D.—1949 Poll		$ 8.50
Archer, Geo. L.—1949 Poll		8.50
Austin, Lewis N.		
1949 Poll	$ 8.50	
1949 Property	6.00	
		14.50
Austin, Irene M. and Ernest G.		
1947 Property	47.70	
1947 Property	57.24	
1948 Property	94.63	
1949 Property	97.50	
		297.07
Ackerman, Gertrude M.		
1947 Property	1.20	
1948 Property	1.46	
1949 Property	1.50	
		4.16

Bellefeuille, John A.		
2—1949 Polls	17.00	
1949 Property	87.00	
		104.00
Berry, Harold E.—1940 Property		15.20
Blair, Elinor—1949 Poll		8.50
Blakeney, David and Madeline—1949 Property		9.00
Boardman, Alfred K.—1949 Property		6.00
Braman, Frank A.—2, 1949 Polls		17.00
Brown, Harry—		
1948 Poll	8.27	
1949 Poll	8.50	
		16.77
Brown, Richard—1948 Poll		8.27
Brown, Harley G.—2, 1949 Polls		17.00
Cahill, Robert—1949 Poll		8.50
Camp, Harold C.—1949 Property		30.00
Citroen, Elsa and Elsa M.—1949 Property		28.20
Clark, Harriet L.		
1949 Poll	8.50	
1949 Property	72.00	
		80.50
Clark, Jean—1949 Poll		8.50
Cleaves, Mabel J.—1949 Property		60.00
Cloud, Ernest G.		
2—1949 Polls	17.00	
1949 Property	29.50	
		46.50
Coburn, Lydia—1949 Property		31.10
Conn. Valley Constr. Co.—1949 Property		120.00
Croft R. J. and Linda M.		
1948 Property	267.15	
1949 Property	289.50	
		556.65
Croft, Linda M.—1949 Property		1.50
Cross, Mildred M.—1949 Poll		8.50
Deranleau, Melvin W.—1949 Poll		8.50
Dickerman, Harold E.		
1945 Poll	6.25	
1946 Poll	6.75	
1947 Poll	7.27	
1948 Property	18.76	
1949 Property	19.50	
		58.53

Dodge, Dean and Thelma—1949 Property		21.00
Doyle, Leo and Betty—1949 Property		122.40
Eastman, Everett and Eliz—1949 Property		12.00
Fletcher, C. B. Est		
1948 Property	12.01	
1949 Property	16.50	
		28.51
Flint, Nellie R. Est.—1949 Property		51.30
Forrester, Victor—1949 Poll		8.50
Gagne, Paul L.—2, 1949 Polls		17.00
Gardner, John R. and Ruth E.		
1946 Property	1.28	
1947 Property	9.54	
1948 Property	11.54	
2—1949 Polls	17.00	
1949 Property	12.00	
		51.36
Goodrich, Annie J.—1949 Property		78.00
Goodrich, Jos. A.		
2—1949 Polls	17.00	
1949 Property	17.70	
		34.70
Griffin, Geo. F.		
2—1949 Polls	17.00	
1949 Property	9.00	
		26.00
Hale, Daniel T.		
2—1947 Polls	14.54	
1947 Property	9.54	
2—1948 Polls	16.54	
1948 Property	25.97	
2—1949 Polls	17.00	
1949 Property	9.60	
		93.19
Hayward, Ardyn L.—2, 1949 Polls		17.00
Hayward, Esther M.—1949 Poll		8.50
Hill, Arthur E.		
1947 Property	2.39	
1948 Property	23.08	
2—1949 Polls	17.00	
1949 Property	24.00	
		66.47
Hill, Lloyd and Alice M.		
1947 Property	7.16	

1948 Property	8.66	
2—1949 Polls	17.00	
1949 Property	9.00	
		41.82
Holmes, Robert—2, 1949 Polls		17.00
Holmes, Lester M.—1949 Poll		8.50
Holmes, Hazel D.		
1947 Poll	6.52	
1947 Property	56.09	
1948 Poll	8.27	
1948 Property	98.09	
1949 Poll	8.50	
1949 Property	102.00	
		279.47
Hood, Irving A.—1949 Poll		8.50
Hook, Warren E.—1949 Property		81.00
Jones, Ethan—1949 Poll		8.50
Kennedy, Glen E. and Mildred		
1948 Property	4.33	
2—1949 Polls	17.00	
1949 Property	4.50	
		25.83
Kennedy, Raymond and Angelia—1944 Property		18.75
Kendale, Gile		
1948 Property	5.77	
1949 Property	6.00	
		11.77
Kennedy, Richard and Florence D.		
1948 Property	34.62	
2—1949 Polls	17.00	
1949 Property	36.00	
		87.62
Kill, Harrison and Edith		
1947 Property	5.97	
1948 Property	17.31	
1949 Property	18.00	
		41.28
Kucheusky, Peter—1949 Property		33.00
Ladd, Orville M.		
1947 Property	7.16	
1948 Property	14.43	
1948 Poll	8.27	
1949 Poll	8.50	
		38.36

LaFrancis, Everett G.		
2—1949 Polls	17.00	
1949 Property	30.00	
		47.00
Libby, Paul D.		
1949 Poll	8.50	
1949 Property	183.90	
		192.40
Little, Emma Est. and E. B. Hatch		
1949 Property	6.00	
1949 Property	102.00	
		108.00
Luce, Ernest E. and Lizzie		
1948 Property	149.64	
2—1949 Polls	17.00	
1949 Property	116.40	
1949 Property	24.00	
		307.04
Lyon, Ralph O.		
1946 Property	17.85	
1947 Property	26.48	
1948 Property	33.18	
		77.51
Magoon, Henry and Goldie—1949 Property		36.00
Mahoney, Robt. D.		
1948 Property	28.85	
1949 Property	30.00	
		58.85
Malone, Francis J.		
2—1949 Polls	17.00	
1949 Property	60.00	
		77.00
Marson Constr. Co.—1949 Property		240.00
Melvin, Winona		
1947 Property	106.85	
1948 Property	133.00	
1949 Property	125.70	
		365.55
Morey, Florence D.—1949 Poll		8.50
Moulton, Raymond C.		
2—1949 Polls	17.00	
1949 Property	85.50	
		102.50
O'Donnell, Harry—1949 Property		12.60

O'Donnell, Kenneth A.		
1946 Property	19.00	
1948 Property	49.62	
1949 Property	61.50	
		130.12
Ordway, Mary D.—1949 Property		120.00
Paul, Edw. G. and Winifred—1949 Property		24.00
Perkins, Mark C.		
1946 Property	34.00	
1947 Property	38.16	
1948 Property	46.16	
1949 Property	48.00	
1949 Prop. (Myrle Dodge place)	29.99	
		196.31
Pratt, Elmer D.—1949 Property		96.00
Priest, Russell H. and Eva—1949 Property		120.00
Rathburn, Mary J. heirs		
1939 Property	6.68	
1940 Property	7.20	
1941 Property	7.60	
		21.48
Reed, Marion G. and Harry O'Donnell		
1949 Property		21.50
Regan, John F.—2, 1949 Polls		17.00
Sanborn, Clyde G.		
1948 Property	80.78	
2—1949 Polls	17.00	
1949 Property	84.00	
		181.78
Scott, Francis J.—2, 1943 Polls		12.50
Scoville, Eva—1949 Property		18.90
Scoville, Helena B.—1949 Property		5.16
Shaw, Robt. M. and Geo. A.—1949 Property		43.20
Slack, Gerald		
1948 Property	4.90	
1949 Property	6.00	
		10.90
Smith, Wesley—1949 Property		120.00
Stender, Harry M. and Bessie—1949 Property		45.00
Stevens, Eldred and Vivian—1949 Property		100.80
Surprise, Herbert		
1948 Poll	8.27	
1949 Poll	8.50	
		16.77

Taylor, William—2, 1949 Polls		17.00
Teevan, Barbara— 1949 Property		12.00
Thompson, Cecil—2, 1949 Polls		17.00
Thompson, Kenneth and Dorothy—1948 Property		95.21
Tucker, Pauline		
1948 Poll	8.27	
1949 Poll	8.50	
		16.77
Whipple, Winifred and Mabel S.		
1946 Property	47.18	
1947 Property	59.39	
1948 Property	34.04	
1949 Poll (Mabel)	8.50	
		149.11
Whitehurst, Julius		
2—1949 Polls	17.00	
1949 Property	31.20	
		48.20
Woodworth, Clayton E. and Arline		
1948 Property	86.55	
2—1949 Polls	17.00	
1949 Property	96.00	
		199.55

SCHOOL DIRECTORS' REPORT

For School Year July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949

Receipts

Balance on hand July 1, 1948	$ 28.87
State Treasurer, State School Aid	12,514.13
State Treasurer, Standardization	175.00
Income from Roberts School Fund	920.00
Rent of Grammar School Lands	67.83
Lease Land Rents	32.25
Tuition	900.00
School Tax, ($3.30)	18,023.34
Sale of Paper	48.35
Sale of Typewriter	85.00
Refunds on School Bus Insurance	17.51
Refund on Bill of McCormick Mathers Co.	45.36
Money borrowed at Bank	6,000.00
Total Receipts	$ 38,857.64
Total Orders Drawn	40,576.61
Overdraft for year	$ 1,718.97

Summary of Expenditures

Teachers' Salaries	$ 18,136.13
Retirement	1,013.01
Collector of Internal Revenue	1,040.40
Janitors' service	1,270.00
Directors' services and expenses	169.75
Superintendent	1,125.18
Music	330.63
Transportation	2,160.00
Fuel	1,060.73
Repairs	500.80
Supplies	1,108.47
Books	649.17
Lights	252.31
Telephone	76.42
Insurance	334.39
Paid back borrowed money and int.	8,143.34
Labor (includes summer cleaning)	358.05
Miscellaneous (includes shop and shop equipment $2,622.21)	2,847.83
Total Orders Drawn	$ 40,576.61

Reconciliation of Balance

Balance as per Treas. report June 30, 1949	
Outstanding order	$ 2,265.26

COMPARATIVE DEBT STATEMENT

Year as of June 30:	
1945 net balance	$ 2,270.20
1946 net balance	28.80
1947 net debt	3,940.43
1948 net debt	4,071.13
1949 net debt	3,718.97

ITEMIZED EXPENSES

July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949

Village School

Salaries —

Richard H. Marsh	$ 2,531.40
Agnes Bacon	1,805.40
Frances Ladd	1,948.00
Margaret Griffin	1,655.60
Elmer C. Roberts	1,435.34
Norma Burbank	1,600.00
Mabel A. Ricker	1,288.64

Ruth Hartwell	1,484.00	
		$ 13,748.38
Janitor		1,200.00
Music		330.63
Transportation—		
Herman Guyette	$ 28.50	
Myrtle R. Burbank	78.00	
Dwight McCullough	511.50	
Glen A. Button	114.10	
Agnes Lyon	32.00	
Clifford Ryder	117.74	
Earl Russell	33.35	
Albion Jones	39.36	
Robert Ainsworth	54.45	
		$ 1,009.00
Fuel		812.90
Lights		198.31
Telephone		76.42
		$ 17,375.64

Agricultural Work Shop

Building		$ 75.00
Labor—		
Ralph Coburn (foreman)	$ 105.00	
Willard Hatch	41.10	
Robert Burgess	43.80	
Winston Rogers	41.90	
Elwin Kendall	21.60	
Orlando Braman	39.60	
Harley Brown	11.20	
B. C. Coburn	36.50	
		$ 340.70
Trucking gravel		85.50
Machine work hired		13.25
Workmens' Compensation		75.69
Shop Equipment		2,032.07
		$ 2,622.21

Meadow Brook School (No. 1)

Teachers—		
Bessie Stender	$ 876.60	
Etta Giles	640.00	
		$ 1,516.60
Transportation, Vernon Hook		656.00

Fuel (oil)		200.33
Lights		18.00
		$ 2,390.93

Barre Road School (No. 5)

Teacher, Eunice Burbank		$ 1,371.15
Transportation—		
I. S. Rushworth	$ 27.00	
Robert Svarfvar	468.00	
		$ 495.00
Janitor, William Melvin		35.00
Wood		45.00
Lights		18.00
		$ 1,964.15

West Hill School (No. 9)

Teacher, Beatrice Coburn	$ 1,500.00
Janitor, Henry Hale	35.00
Wood	2.50
Lights	18.00
	$ 1,555.50

Expenses Applying to All Schools

Directors' service and expenses	$ 169.75
Superintendent	1,125.18
Retirement	1,113.01
Collector of Internal Revenue	1,040.40
Repairs	500.80
Supplies	1,108.47
Books	649.17
Insurance	334.39
Paid back borrowed money and interest	8,143.34
Labor (incudes summer cleaning)	358.05
Miscellaneous	225.62
	$ 14,668.18

Summary

Village School	$ 17,375.64
Work Shop	2,622.21
No. 1	2,390.93
No. 5	1,964.15
No. 9	1,555.50

All schools	14,668.18
Total	$ 40,576.61

TREASURER'S REPORT

In Account with School Directors from July 1,1948 to June 30, 1949

Receipts

Balance on hand July 1, 1949	$ 41.12
State Treasurer, school aid	12,514.13
State Treasurer, standardization	175.00
Tuiton	900.00
School Tax	18,023.34
Income Roberts School Fund	920.00
Lease Land Rent	32.25
Grammer School Lands	67.83
Sale of paper	48.35
Insurance refunds	17.51
Misc. refund	45.36
Sale of Typewriter	85.00
Money borrowed	6,000.00
	$ 38,869.89

Disbursements

Paid orders outstanding July 1, 1948	$ 12.25
Paid current orders	38,311.35
Total orders paid	$ 38,323.60
Balance June 30, 1949	$ 546.29

Outstanding Orders June 30, 1949

No. 182	Frances Ladd	$ 194.80
No. 207	Harley Brown	8.00
No. 222	The Gregg Writer	4.30
No. 230	Nation Agricultural Supply Co.	639.35
No. 231	Bradhead Garret Co.	1,106.48
No. 232	J. S. George Supply Co.	286.24
No. 233	McAuliffe Paper Co.	14.64
No. 242	Harley Brown	3.20
No. 243	Forrest Tucker	8.25
		$ 2,265.26

TREASURER'S REPORT

School Account July 1, 1949 to Jan. 1, 1950

Receipts

Balance on hand July 1, 1949	$ 546.29
Money borrowed	15,000.00
Tuition	760.00
State Treas., Agricultural Education	1,000.00
Refund on school bus insurance	5.92
Veterans Training Program, refund on coal	53.28
State Treas., State Aid	12,900.02
School Town Tax	19,938.46
Total Receipts	$ 50,203.97

Disbursements

Total orders paid	$ 34,958.38
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1950	$ 15,245.59

Outstanding orders Jan. 1, 1950

587	Nov. 30, 1949—Beatrice Coburn	$ 80.00
621	Dec. 14, 1949—Eunice Burbank	146.26
622	Dec. 14, 1949—Beatrice Coburn	160.00
629	Dec. 21, 1949—A. C. Parker	92.00
630	Dec. 21, 1949—Southwestern Pub. Co.	1.93
632	Dec. 24, 1949—State Teachers Retirement	375.06
634	Dec. 24, 1949—Tidewater Ass'd Oil Co.	16.23
636	Dec. 24, 1949—The Gregg Writer	.50
637	Dec. 31, 1949—Clarence Greene	56.50
639	Dec. 31, 1949—A. F. Sanborn	692.63
		$ 1,621.11

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR

July 1, 1950 to June 30, 1951

Teachers' Salaries	$ 22,900.00
Janitors (including summer cleaning)	1,900.00
School Directors	180.00
Superintendent	1,300.00
Music	500.00
Transportation	2,500.00
Fuel	2,500.00
Repairs	1,000.00
Supplies	1,500.00
Books	600.00
Electricity	500.00

Telephone	90.00
Insurance	500.00
Interest on money	200.00
Labor	730.00
To apply on shop	1,000.00
Miscellaneous	100.00
Total	$ 38,000.00

Estimated Receipts

State Treasurer	$ 13,000.00
Tuition	1,220.00
Roberts Fund	920.00
Lease Land	30.00
Town tax of $3.45	22,610.00
	$ 37,780.00

SCHOOL DIRECTORS' REPORT OF VETERANS' TRAINING PROGRAM

Sept. 1, 1949 to Dec. 31, 1949

Expenditures

R. R. Rogers, instructor	$ 1,110.80
Collector of Internal Revenue	3.40
St. Teachers Retirement System	75.60
Mileage	133.84
Administrative Allowance	66.00
Janitor	26.00
Fuel	53.28
Supplies	108.76
Interest on money	3.33
Miscellaneous	7.00
Total	$ 1,588.01

TREASURER'S REPORT OF VETERANS' TRAINING PROGRAM

Sept. 1, 1949 to Dec. 31, 1949

Receipts

Rec'd from borrowed money	$ 500.00
Rec'd from U. S. Treasury	1,442.62
Total Receipts	$ 1,942.62

Disbursements

Less Orders Paid	1,588.01
Balance Jan. 1, 1950	$ 354.61

SCHOOL DIRECTORS' REPORT

Expenditures July 1, 1949 to Dec. 31, 1949

Teachers' Salaries		$ 7,867.68
Retirement tax		525.52
Collector of Internal Revenue		628.50
Janitor service		489.70
School Directors		14.50
Superintendent		552.00
Music		133.47
Transportation		1,273.46
Paint and painting High School		1,137.00
Repairs		545.03
Supplies		934.55
Books		411.57
Lights		31.24
Telephone		44.74
Insurance		342.34
Fuel		1,242.64
Interest on money		78.35
Borrowed money repaid		8,000.00
Ralph Coburn and helpers:		
repairing flag pole	$ 96.00	
B. C. Coburn:		
carpentering at No. 1	150.00	
Clarence Greene:		
summer cleaning	100.00	
Other labor	115.75	
Total Labor		461.75
Agricultural Work Shop		9,477.07
Miscellaneous		123.12
Total		$ 34,314.23

AGRICULTURAL WORK SHOP

Ralph Coburn	$ 889.05
Willard Hatch	301.30
Robert Burgess	241.50
Winston Rogers	9.60
Orlando Braman	236.10
Delwin Braman	332.00
Harry Brown	362.35
B. C. Coburn	283.60
David Delano	302.40

Angelo Raguseo	11.20	
Willis Holmes	152.00	
Charles Lyford	61.60	
Victor Forrester	61.50	
Elmer Pratt	52.40	
Charles Titus	6.00	
Jack Kennedy	11.88	
Labor		$ 3,314.48
Collector of Internal Revenue		149.30
Trucking		281.23
Machine Work hired		237.57
Flint Bros. Lumber Co., lumber, insulation, windows, etc		2,377.27
Naef Hardware Co., heating plant and installation		924.30
Electrical equipment	373.25	
Vernon Hook, labor wiring	173.50	
		546.75
A. F. Sanborn, plumbing		645.10
Other material bought		942.95
Shop equipment		58.12
Total		$ 9,477.07

REPORT OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS

To the Voters:

For a small cost the School Directors were able to purchase a government surplus building with the understanding same was to be used for class rooms or work shop. The cost of erection and equipping the building was, however, more than we had anticipated. Considering the interest of those High School boys taking the Agricultural Course we feel it fills a need for those who are our future farmers. Also the course may help to draw tuition pupils from our neighboring towns. A Veterans' Program with R. R. Rogers as instructor, is also making use of the building. As this goes to print there is being organized a Young Farmers group who will meet there each Monday evening.

Repairs this past year include painting the High School Building, a new and permanent base for the flag pole, and some work at No. 1.

Friends have started a hot lunch program at the West Hill school.

Costs of heating and lighting the gymnasium can at this time be only a guess, but we believe an additional tax of 15c over last year's, making a total of $3.45, will be sufficient to run our schools, shop and gymnasium.

Respectfully submitted,

FRED DICKINSON,
FRANKLIN D. BURBANK,
I. S. RUSHWORTH,
School Directors

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To Board of School Directors and Citizens of Chelsea:

This report is for the school year ending June 30, 1949, and is part of the report of the Board of School Directors required by law.

Three one-teacher schools and the village four-teacher elementary school were each maintained for thirty-five weeks; the four-teacher high school was maintained for thirty-six weeks. The average number of pupils enrolled in the elementary schools was 186, and the average daily attendance was 175.20. The average number enrolled in high school was 49, and the average daily attendance was 43.78. Non-resident tuition pupils included eight in the elementary school and six in the high school. The average cost per pupil was, for elementary schools $106.48, and for high school $254.78. The average cost per pupil, both elementary and high was $136.13. The new state aid law requires a minimum expenditure of $130 per pupil to entitle a school district to receive aid for the support of schools.

The total number of different elementary school pupils enrolled was 192. One hundred fifty-four were promoted, 14 were promoted conditionally, 14 were not promoted, 8 transferred to other schools, and two dropped out of school. The number of different high school pupils was 51. Thirty-five were promoted, four were promoted condittionally, five were not promoted, one

transferred to another school, and six dropped out of school. Twenty-three pupils or 9.46% of all enrolled in both elementary and high school were above the normal age for their grade in school.

An agricultural building with workshop and classroom was constructed and a course in vocational agriculture established. The school district received reimbursement from federal funds administered by the State for one-half the cost of the machinery and approved shop equipment. The course includes group instruction, field trips for observation and study of current practices, and home projects initiated and carried on by the student under the supervision of the instructor. The instructor is employed jointly by the school directors of the two high school districts, Chelsea and Royalton, the districts being rembursed for forty percent of instruction costs and seventy-five percent of approved travel costs. One of the veteran-on-the-farm training units was transferred from Bradford to Chelsea now using the agricultural building as a center. The school district is reimbursed for the full amount of the veterans training program.

The State Department of Education has required every town and school district in the state to supply information as of January 1, 1950 regarding its present school building needs and those that are anticipated during the next twelve years. The purpose of this study is to, (1) determine the statewide extent of new school building construction required to care for increased enrollments, and (2) determine the extent to which state and federal resources would be required to aid local communities in necessary construction.

The facts from the Chelsea study show: (1) the classroom at the Meadow Brook school is too small for the number of pupils enrolled, (2) whereas the high school can accommodate more pupils, two of the elementary school classrooms in the village building are overcrowded, (3) birth and enrollment figures show that two more classrooms are likely to be needed during the entire period of the next twelve years, and (4) if the present birth-rate and employment conditions continue for four more years, four additional classrooms may be needed in the period beyond 1958.

I am grateful to the school directors, parents, teachers community organizations, and townspeople for their support.

Respectfully submitted,
A. COURTNEY PARKER,
Supt. of Schools

REPORT OF GYMNASUIM BUILDING COMMITTEE

To the Voters:

The Building Committee feel that their duties are nearly completed, and at Town Meeting should give over control of the building to the School Directors.

We have not followed entirely the plans as described in our report of a year ago. Further study convinced us that with the limited appropriation we could not build class rooms. We do feel that Chelsea has a gymnasium of which we, the citizens, may well be proud.

A 25c tax on the grand list would pay interest on notes and about $1,000.00 on the indebtedness. A 40c tax would reduce the debt by another $1,000.00.

Respectfully submitted,
FRANKLIN D. BURBANK, Chairman

GYMNASIUM BUILDING COMMITTEE REPORT
Feb. 1, 1949 to Dec. 31, 1949

Labor:

Fred Sanborn	$ 1,207.63
Lloyd Hill	243.40
W. S. Gilman	374.70
Walter Grant	7.20
Charles Lyford	94.41
Winston Rogers	35.20
Lawrence Kennedy	318.20
Herbert Kennedy	12.75
Russell McCormack	520.50
David McLeod	138.60
A. F. Sanborn	15.91
George Mathers	217.30
O. E. Burgess	882.25
B. C. Coburn	28.40
George Lyford	91.20
Robert DeAlmeida	27.20
Clinton Lane	711.80

Charles Titus	9.00	
Joe Messier	21.47	
Jack Kennedy	63.13	
Richard H. Marsh	17.94	
Bert St. Cyr	1,760.90	
Harold Tucker	65.60	
Wesley Downing	89.00	
Willis Holmes	12.80	
Lawrence Carey	290.20	
Paul Recchia	190.00	
Aldo Ruvera	350.25	
F. J. Regan	706.20	
Orville Ladd	56.20	
Alfred Boardman	22.80	
Forrest Ainsworth	239.20	
Total Labor		$ 8,821.34
Collector of Internal Revenue		213.40
Vt. Structural Steel, steel and erection		4,174.00
Brattleboro Roofing Co., tar and gravel roof		1,627.50
Fred I. Somers & Sons, plumbing and heating		2,500.00
Lighting Equipment	775.98	
Vernon N. Hook, labor	276.00	
Total wiring		1,051.98
Other building material		8,180.75
Trucking		724.16
Machine Work hired, sawing and planing lumber, use of power shovel, etc		1,854.74
Committee's Expenses and architects		915.94
Workman's Compensation Ins.		200.00
Interest on borrowed money		330.00
Money paid on note		500.00
Miscellaneous		48.37
Total Orders Drawn		$ 31,142.18

TREASURER'S REPORT

Gymnasium Building Committee

Receipts

Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1949	$ 84.65
Money borrowed	29,000.00
Contributions	800.50
Sale of lumber	200.48
Refund on insurance on old gym	8.16
Rec'd from town tax	1,524.88
Refund on power shovel	16.87
Total Receipts	$ 31,635.54

Disbursements

Paid 1948 outstanding Order No. 32	$ 43.00
Paid 1949 orders	31,122.18
Total Disbursements	$ 31,165.18
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1950	$ 470.36

Outstanding Order

No. 487—Dec. 30, Clinton Lane	$ 20.00

VITAL STATISTICS

Births

Feb. 3—Stevens, Sharron Ina, daughter of Eldred and Vivian Mae (Johnson) in Barre.

Feb. 7—Kennedy, James Richard, son of Walter L. and Phyllis (Playful) in Barre.

Mar. 9—Coburn, Bruce Everett, son of Jean Elizabeth Coburn in Barre.

Feb. 25—Colby, Philp Thomas, son of Merle G. and Elizabeth A. (McCullough) in Barre.

Mr. 11—Messier, Janet Amy, daughter of Joseph A. A. and Edna M. (Bannister) in Barre.

Mar. 14—Hayward, Baby (stillborn), son of George H. and Lillian (Hill) in Barre.

Mar. 7—Holmes, Baby, daughter of Robert C. and Lottie G. (Parker) in Barre.

Apr. 4—Whitney, Merrill Luther, son of Merrill R. and Katherine S. (Ryder) in Barre.

Apr. 26—Goodrich, Betty Jean, daughter of Joseph and Mae I. (Sargent) in Randolph.

Apr. 26—Regan, Bradley Fay, son of Lloyd J. and Violet M. (Braman) in Barre.

May 13—Bowin, Irvin George, son of Guy W. and Esther O. (Bicknell) in Barre.

May 14—Carey, Elizabeth Rose, daughter of Lawrence E. and Zilla F. (Doyle) in Barre.

June 1—Boardman, Douglas Kenneth, son of Alfred K. and Phyllis A. (Mattoon).

June 18—Robbins, Mary Lou, daughter of Morton Stuart Jr. and Elizabeth M. (Medbury) in Barre.

June 24—Brusa, Robert Craig, Robert P. and Barbara J. (Gale) in Barre.

July 24—Clark, Wilma Jane, daughter of Jean L. Clark in Montpelier.

July 30—MacAskill, Norman Donald, son of Donald R. and Janice M. (Briggs) in Barre.

Aug. 1—Doyle, Linda Lee, daughter of Leo F. and Betty P. (Mears) in Montpelier.

Aug. 4—Keyes, Linda Lee, daughter of Orvis Cassius Keyes and Dorothy M. (Taylor).

Sept. 16—Stender, Paul, son of David F. and Mary H. (Safko) in Hanover, N. H.

Oct. 16—Carpenter, James Hall, son of Alan M. and Elaine A. (Woodworth).

Oct. 17—Brown, Paula Anne, daughter of Harry J. and Jeanne E. (Holmes) in Barre.

Nov. 12—Verge, David Eugene, son of Isadore V. and Monica F. (Duclaw) in Randolph.

Dec. 6—Burbank, Elisabeth Berry, daughter of Franklin D. and Myrtle G. (Roberts) in Randolph.

Deaths

Jan. 6, 1949—Bacon, Charles W. aged 76 yrs. 6 mos. 10 days.

Jan. 13, 1949—Washburn, Mrs. Grace, aged 75 yrs. 8 mos. 21 days (in Barre).

Mar. 14, 1949—Hayward, Infant, stillborn (in Barre).

Mar. 23, 1949—Hodgdon, Ethel, 66 yrs. 1 mo. 15 days in Waterbury.

Mar. 27, 1949—Worall, Miss Charlotte, 80 yrs. 10 mos. 17 days (in Barre).

Apr. 7, 1949—Holmes, Baby, 5 hrs. 21 mins. (in Barre).

Apr. 14, 1949—Densmore, Mrs. Demis 82 yrs. 1 mo. 21 days (in Barre).

Apr. 15, 1949—Lyon, Robert A., 77 yrs. 2 mos. 29 days.

June 11, 1949—Bowin, Irving George 29 days (in Barre).

Sept. 2, 1949—Griffin, Mary Ella, 75 yrs. 11 mos. 5 days.

Sept. 12, 1949—Goodrich, Ben A., 73 yrs.

Sept. 12, 1949—Russell, John Harding (of Washington) 60 yrs. 6 mos. 3 days.

Nov. 17, 1949—Adams, Cora Jane, 83 yrs. 7 mos. 7 days (in Bethel).

Nov. 18, 1949—Cook, Hittie, 73 years (in Barre).

Nov. 23, 1949—Underhill, Mary Anna, 55 yrs. 10 mos. 9 days.

Dec. 2, 1949—Libby, Fannie Maria, 79 years (in Barre).

Aug. 8, 1948 (omitted from last years report) Doyle, Ada, aged 16 yrs. 11 mos. 17 days (in Barre).

Marriages

Apr. 25, 1949—George Elmer Nisen of Barre and Phyllis Ruth Dukette of Chelsea.

May 21, 1949—Howard A. Braman of Chelsea and Mae Ethel Payne of Washington, Vt.

June 12, 1949—Ernest Harry Kennedy of Chelsea and Sadie Ellen Parshley of Vershire, Vt.

June 26, 1949—Albert Louis Poissor of Charlestown, N. H. and Lyle Mabel Barow of Chelsea, Vt.

Aug. 21, 1949—Robert Wendell Ashford of Woodbury, Vt. and Elaine M. Taylor of Chelsea, Vt.

July 27, 1949—Orvis Cassius Keyes of Brookfield, Vt. and Dorothy May Taylor of Chelsea, Vt.

Oct. 15, 1949—Merlin Thomas Doyle and Alice Mary Taplin both of Chelsea.

Nov. 8, 1949—Warren Sidney Gilman and Marion Leona Parker both of Chelsea.

Nov. 17, 1949—George R. Miller and Hazel N. Flanagan both of Cockeysville, Md.

Nov. 22, 1949—Ralph Monterio and Barbara Nelson both of Lawrence, Mass.

17. To vote on these questions:

Shall licenses for the sale of malt and vinous beverages be granted in this town?

Shall spirituous liquors be sold in this town?

18. To vote on the question:

Shall basket ball and football be permitted on Sunday in this town?

19 To transact any other proper business.

DEAN H. GILMAN,
O. E. BURGESS,
ANGIER EDWARDS,
Selectmen.

Chelsea, Vt., Feb. 15, 1950.

WARNING

The legal voters of the Town and Town School District of Chelsea are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Town Hall in Chelsea on Tuesday, the 7th day of March, A. D. 1950, at 10:30 o'clock A. M., to act on the following articles:

1. To choose a moderator and town clerk.

2. To receive and act upon the reports of the several town officers.

3. To see if the town will authorize its selectmen to appoint a road commissioner, and if so, whether one or two shall be appointed.

4. To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year.

5. To choose the town school district officers for the ensuing year.

6. To see what amount of tax the town school district will raise for the maintenance of schools.

7. To see what amount of tax the town will vote for the maintenance of highways.

8. To raise money to pay the town's indebtedness and current expenses for the ensuing year.

9. To see what amount of tax the town school district will raise to retire the indebtedness of the high school gymnasium.

10. To see if the town will authorize its selectmen to borrow money from time to time when necessary to carry on the business of the town.

11. To see if the town will vote to place its tax bills in the hands of the Town Treasurer for collection.

12. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money for the support of the Chelsea Public Library, and if so, how much.

13. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money for the observance of Memorial day, and if so, how much.

14. To see if the town will vote to collect taxes on real and personal property in installments.

15. To see if the town will vote to fix the compensation of town officers, and if so, how much.

16. To see if the town will authorize its selectmen to contract with Chelsea Fire District No. 1 for fire protection of buildings and other property of the town outside said Fire District and within the town for the year beginning April 1, 1950.

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TOWN OFFICERS 1950-1051

Moderator		F. Ray Keyser
Town Clerk,		Esther E. Smith
Town Treasurer		Esther E. Smith
	Oliver E. Burgess,	Term expires 1951
Selectmen	Angier M. J. Edwards,	Term expires 1952
	Dean H. Gilman,	Term expires 1953
Overseer of Poor,		Harold Hayward
Road Commissioner,		Dwight McCullough
Collector of Taxes,		Chauncey C. Liese
	Percy J. Heath,	Term expires 1951
	Berthold C. Coburn,	Term expires 1951
Listers,	George P. Bradshaw,	Term expires 1952
	Everett F. Spear,	Term expires 1953
	Franklin D. Burbank,	Term expires 1951
School Directors,	I. S. Rushworth,	Term expires 1952
	Mrs. Inez Rowell,	Term expires 1953
	Mrs. Alberta Dacier,	Term expires 1951
Auditors,	David C. Gilman,	Term expires 1952
	Raymond R. Rogers,	Term expires 1953
1st. Constable,		Chauncey C. Liese
2nd. Constable,		John Rowell
	Harry L. Hayward,	Term expires 1951
Trustees of Public Money,	Frank W. Button,	Term expires 1952
	Mrs. C. Chase,	Term expires 1953
	O. Fay Allen, Jr.	Term expires 1951
Trustees of Public	M. S. Bicknell,	Term expires 1952
Library	Mrs. Martha Ordway,	Term expires 1953
	Esther E. Smith,	Term expires 1954
	Rachel Comstock,	Term expires 1955
Superintendent of Schools,		A. C. Parker
Clerk of School Board,		Franklin D. Burbank
Town Grand Jurors,		O. Fay Allen, Jr., William Roberts
Town Agent,		O. Fay Allen, Jr.
Surveyor of Wood and Lumber,		William A. Reed
Fence Viewers,		George P. Bradshaw, Sabin T. Densmore
Weigher of Coal,		Henry F. Gates
Pound Keeper,		Everett F. Spear
	Edward B. Hatch,	Term expires 1951
	Percy J. Heath,	Term expires 1952
Cemetery Commissioners,	Vacancy,	Term expires 1953
	E. Harold Colby,	Term expires 1954
	Stanley C. Wilson,	Term expires 1955

TOWN OF CHELSEA, VT
1950

Population 1,024, Area 23,818 acres, Altitude 840 feet. Miles of highways 88.135, of which 10 miles is State Highway.

Real and Personal Grand List	$ 5,793.35
Polls, 474	474.00
Total Grand List	$ 6,267.35

Comparative Statements

Year	Grand List	Tax Rate
1946	$6,236.91	$4.25
1947	6,313.01	4.77
1948	6,553.94	5.77
1949	6,560.03	6.00
1950	6,267.35	6.00

Total Tax Raised
(School and Old Age Included)

1946	$27,677.11
1947	31,304.28
1948	39,008.00
1949	40,557.67
1950	38,789.11

TOWN ACCOUNT
Assets
(Real estate and personal property not included)

Cash on hand, Jan. 1, 1951:		
General Town Account	$ 2,391.89	
State Aid Account	82.10	
Selected Highway Account	1.05	
Unselected Highway Account	28.28	
		$ 2,503.32
Uncollected taxes		4,416.98
U. S. War Bonds		43.70
Demand note secured by mortgage on Edward Paul's real estate		1,154.66
		$ 8,118.66

Liabilities

On notes at bank—Selectmen	$ 13,000.00
Outstanding orders	850.14
On notes at bank for Gymnasium	28,400.00
	$ 42,250.14
Excess of liabilities over assets	$ 34,131.48

INVENTORY OF TOWN PROPERTY

(Real Estate listed as per listers' appraisal)

Real Estate—		
Laird farm	$ 1,000.00	
Garage	1,475.00	
Town forest	50.00	
Town hall	10,000.00	
Town barn	300.00	
Blake house	450.00	
		$ 13,275.00
Dental equipment	$ 900.00	
Office equipment	200.00	
Town hall equipment	200.00	
Road machine	100.00	
Chains, tools, etc.	150.00	
Indian pack pumps	25.00	
Tractor and plows	9,000.00	
Ford truck	50.00	
Barco drill and drills	200.00	
		10,825.00
Material and supplies on hand—		
Wood at Town hall and garage	$ 193.00	
Oils, grease, and fuel oil	121.75	
New wire rope	20.10	
Grader blades	11.54	
Snow plow cutting edges	99.58	
Bridge plank	284.00	
		729.97
Total		$ 24,829.97

Inventory of School Property

School building in District No. 1	$ 1,000.00	
School building in District No. 2	4,000.00	
School building in District No. 5	1,000.00	
School building in District No. 9	1,000.00	
School building in District No. 10	500.00	
School building in District No. 8	500.00	
Gymnasium	29,000.00	
Agricultural building	7,750.00	
		$ 44,750.00
Equipment, furniture, etc.		500.00
Books and supplies		500.00
Lumber on hand		500.00
Total		$ 46,250.00

TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT

General Account

Receipts

Balance on hand January 1, 1950		$ 708.01
From C. C. Liese, Collector—		
On 1950 list	$ 13,224.60	
Delinquent taxes	5,306.42	
		18,531.02
From State Treasurer—		
Winter Roads	$ 1,658.24	
State Aid No. 1	1,487.90	
State Aid No. 2	104.93	
State Aid No. 3	105.05	
Selected Highways	2,601.80	
Unselected Highways	8,610.33	
		14,568.25
Money borrowed		18,000.00
Sale of dog licenses minus fees		423.75
Liquor license		25.00
Rent of lease land		90.75
Sale of Laird barn		50.00
Board of Trade Fund, interest on bonds		5.00
Rent of town hall		342.50
Refund on Overseer's Acct.		865.10
Refund on telephone calls		2.69
Hilas E. Roberts Fund, repair town hall		2.00
Hilas E. Roberts Trust Fund		55.00
Sale of culvert		28.81
Rent of town garage		5.00
Use of tractor		8.25
Use of bulldozer		288.00
Gravel and hauling		158.87
Sale of lumber		99.27
Town of Washington, plowing		268.50
Comm. Jordan, half price crushed rock for road		43.57
Bank refund on notes		16.83
O. Fay Allen, Sr., Justice of Peace, fine and cost — State vs. Wallace Habel		25.60
Town share of resurfacing on No. 2 and No. 3 State Aid highway		104.99
Refund on brickment, Ed Paul house		1.20
Misc. receipts		4.59
Total Receipts		$ 54,722.55

Disbursements

Paid Selectmen's orders—		
General Account	$ 27,075.46	
State Aid	1,720.77	
Unselected Highways	8,883.73	
Selected Highways	2,600.75	
Snow Roads	2,385.97	
Edward Paul's House	1,139.96	
		$ 43,806.64
Paid Road Commissioner's orders		4,282.80
Paid Overseer's orders		4,087.29
Paid two protested checks rec'd		22.50
Paid Justice of Peace order		20.00
Total Disbursements		$ 52,219.23
Cash on hand January 1, 1951		$ 2,503.32

Outstanding Orders

General Account—	
No. 546—Dec. 13, 1950, Merle G. Colby	$ 81.40
No. 553—Dec. 23, 1950, Treas., State of Vt.	52.00
No. 558—Dec. 23, 1950, Treas., West Hill Church	19.50
No. 565—Dec. 28, 1950, New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	7.20
No. 570—Dec. 30, 1950, A. C. Coburn	15.60
No. 575—Dec. 30, 1950, Harold Hayward, Overseer	6.59
No. 577—Dec. 31, 1950, Maurice Kennedy	5.50
No. 578—Dec. 31, 1950, Charles McCullough	4.00
No. 579—Dec. 31, 1950, Dwight McCullough	13.75
No. 581—Jan. 3, 1951, Orange County Branch Bank	65.00
No. 582—Jan. 5, 1951, C. C. Liese, Collector	51.61
No. 583—Jan. 5, 1951, O. F. Allen, Jr.	15.90
No. 584—Jan. 6, 1951, George A. Dacier, Jr.	25.00
	$ 363.05
General Highway—	
No. 111—Dec. 27, 1950, Dwight McCullough	$ 1.40
Unselected Highway—	
No. 948—Dec. 30, 1950—Collector of Internal Revenue	$ 1.10
Snow Roads—	
No. 15—Dec. 31, 1950, Merle Colby	$ 10.50

No. 16—Dec. 31, 1950, Maurice Kennedy		36.02
No. 17—Dec. 31, 1950, Clarence Kennedy		9.14
No. 18—Dec. 31, 1950, Charles McCullough		17.20
No. 19—Dec. 31, 1950, Allen McCullough		6.40
No. 20—Dec. 31, 1950, Dwight McCullough		51.25
No. 21—Dec. 31, 1950, Victor Forester		5.60
	$	136.11
Overseers Account—		
No. 719—Dec. 19, 1950, Dept of Social Welfare	$	77.70
No. 724—Dec. 27, 1950, Barre City Hospital		215.78
No. 727—Dec. 30, 1950, Hattie Hoyt		55.00
	$	348.48

ESTHER E. SMITH
Treasurer.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

In the general account the indebtedness of the town has increased the past year as you no doubt have observed by the report of the auditors. Some departments have cost more to operate this year than last. Incomes have been less in some instances, and also a decline in the grand list. We would recommend for the year 1951 a town tax of not less than that of 1950.

Respectfully,
O. E. BURGESS,
ANGIER EDWARDS,
D. H. GILMAN,
Selectmen

SELECTMEN'S ACCOUNT

Summary of Orders Drawn

Town Officers	$	1,671.41
Town Hall		770.54
Miscellaneous		1,038.23
Tractors		1,405.23
Snow Plows		510.95
Expense of Edward Paul's House		1,155.86
Truck		306.29
Bridges		1,584.32
Primary and Election Expense		121.75
Insurance		290.84
Appropriations		700.00

Taxes assessed	2,379.25
Graders	94.64
Roads	244.13
Commons	411.16
Dog damage to sheep	55.00
Street and bridge lighting	346.75
Interest	443.37
Loans paid	15,000.00
	$ 28,529.72

Town Officers

C. C. Liese, tax collector	$ 460.43
Raymond Rogers, auditor	30.00
David Gilman, auditor	51.00
Alberta S. Dacier, auditor and tax notice postage	56.17
D. H. Gilman, selectman 1949	25.00
Angier Edwards, selectman 1949	25.00
O. E. Burgess, chairman selectmen 1949	100.00
O. Fay Allen Sr., bonds for town officers	47.50
O. Fay Allen Sr., Est. health officer	79.18
E. F. Spear, lister	100.00
P. J. Heath, lister	100.00
George Bradshaw, lister	100.00
B. C. Coburn, 4th lister	96.46
Esther Smith, town clerk	42.45
Esther Smith, treasurer	125.00
D. H. Gilman, selectman 1950	25.00
Angier Edwards, selectman 1950	25.00
O. E. Burgess, chairman selectmen and postage	108.22
Harold Hayward, overseer	75.00
	$ 1,671.41

Town Hall

A. C. Coburn, janitor	$ 405.15
A. F. Sanborn, labor and supplies	5.80
W. W. Underhill, supplies	7.31
Naef Hdw. Co., supplies	10.05
O. E. Burgess, hauling leaves etc.	2.80
W. S. Gilman, hauling wood	37.50
B. E. Weis, sawing wood	7.50
Oscar Butman, repair of mowers	4.00
C. F. Simitan, tuning piano	13.45
Central Vt. Public Service Corp., lighting	61.98
F. R. and E. S. Keyser, water rent	12.00
Harold Hayward, 15½ cords wood from	

David Blakeney		170.00
Harold Hayward, hauling wood		6.00
Harold Hayward, overseer paid sawing 9 cords wood		27.00
	$	770.54

Miscellaneous

New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co., local service and tolls	$	89.00
Central Vt. Public Service Corp., lighting garage		18.00
Chelsea Job Press, printing town reports etc.		195.50
W. W. Underhill, supplies		24.15
Tuttle Stationery Co., supplies for town clerk		4.97
O. Fay Allen, County Clerk, searching divorce records		9.50
O. Fay Allen, Jr., legal services to Sept. 13th		107.30
Naef Hdw. Co., supplies		5.06
Wheeler & Clark, dog tags		8.71
E. H. Colby, shovels etc		16.40
O. E. Burgess, labor and cash paid for supplies		31.60
W. S. Gilman, sawing wood at garage		7.50
O. E. Burgess, mowing old cemetery		10.00
Vt. Explosives Inc., dynamite and caps		16.75
C. C. Liese, service of dog warrant		14.20
Casellini-Venable Corp., supplies		8.65
D. H. Gilman, labor, mileage and attendance at meeting		17.50
J. R. Kennedy, labor and use of hoist		38.64
Mrs. C. C. Liese, advertising in White River Herald		3.75
A. C. Coburn, labor		9.20
David Blakeney, mowing Laird cemetery		6.40
Ernest Royce, labor		3.60
Harry O'Donnell, mowing Wiggins cemetery		5.60
Laurence Allen, mowing Allen and Lincoln cemeteries		6.00
Leon Stevens, care of town clock to Nov. 1st		18.00
Dwight McCullough, driving bulldozer		40.88
Charles McCullough, labor		1.20
H. F. Gates, use of adding machine		3.00
Merle G. Colby, fire warden, forest fire at Linda Crofts		81.40
Wilson & Keyser, legal services		75.64
Treasurer West Hill Church, ministerial money		19.50

Treas. United Churches, ministerial money		39.00
David McLeod, cleaning well		7.00
Walter Underhill, cleaning well		7.00
C. C. Liese, taxes abated		87.04
Harold Hayward, cash paid for lock		.59
	$	1,038.23

Tractors

Kennedy's Garage, labor and supplies	$	125.45
Guy Ladd, freight		8.55
Casellini-Venable Corp., labor and parts		395.58
Dwight McCullough, labor		88.75
H. N. Sanborn & Sons, prestone		6.20
Naef Hdw. Co., supplies		3.92
Shell Oil Co., fuel oil		201.14
Northeastern Petroleum Co. Inc., oils and grease		301.64
G. D. Lyford, labor and cash paid		9.51
Mike Kennedy, labor		14.70
Jack Kennedy, labor and cash paid		31.38
Richard Kennedy, fuel oil		8.52
Lafley Garage, anti-freeze etc.		6.50
Ernest Royce, labor		15.20
E. H. Colby, supplies		8.10
O. E. Burgess, labor and cash paid for supplies		11.55
J. A. Whitehurst, labor		6.40
Messier Mfg. Co., welding and repairs		133.14
Charles McCullough		4.00
Geo. A. Dacier, hauling tractor to Barre and return		25.00
	$	1,405.23

Snow Plows

G. D. Lyford, labor	$	23.00
Melvin Deroleau, labor		8.80
Messier Mfg. Co., welding and repairs		166.77
H. N. Sanborn & Son, charging batteries		2.00
O. E. Burgess, cash paid for supplies		10.13
Casellini-Venable Corp., parts		93.72
Lowell McLeod, bolts		6.21
Interstate Equipment Co., cutting edges		67.87
St. Johnsbury Trucking Co., freight		5.59
Mike Kennedy, labor		12.00
Put Kennedy, labor		1.50
Jack Kennedy, labor		10.63

Lewis Austin, labor		6.80
Dwight McCullough, labor		36.25
Dwight McCullough, Jr., labor		8.80
Lafley's Garage, charging batteries		1.50
Reynolds & Sons, Inc., wire rope		10.10
Dwight McCullough, cash paid 2 batteries		32.08
Charles McCullough, labor		7.20
	$	510.95

Expense of the Paul's House

Woods Store, nails	$	30.40
George A. Dacier, sawing and hauling lumber		140.00
D. H. Gilman, cash paid for siding		69.89
Flint Bros. Lumber Co., wall board		15.68
School Directors, 1 door and 2x4's		29.35
E. H. Colby, materials and supplies		119.78
Allen Lumber Co., windows and frames		70.82
Naef & Turgeon, matched boards and flooring		57.83
Esther Smith, 600 ft. boards		30.00
D. M. Ladd, freight on supplies from Barre		3.15
A. F. Sanborn & Son, supplies		26.99
D. H. Gilman, labor and cash paid for supplies		134.27
John Bellefeuille, labor		243.00
Arthur Beoror, labor		138.00
B. C. Coburn, labor		7.60
O. E. Burgess, labor		11.60
Orlando Braman, labor		11.60
O. F. Allen, Jr., insurance, mortgage, etc.		15.90
	$	1,155.86

Truck

Kennedy's Garage, labor and supplies	$	70.25
Lafley's Garage, labor and supplies		90.12
H. F. Gates, gas and oil		116.17
Motor Vehicle Dept., registration		10.00
E. H. Colby, gas and supplies		9.25
Dwight McCullough, labor		10.50
	$	306.29

Bridges

Robert Svarfvar, planks	$	473.46
Geo. Dacier, sawing, hauling and stacking plank		283.29
Ernest Royce, labor		6.80
Guy Moxley, 5 stringers		10.00
Albion Jones, plank		38.70

O. E. Burgess, self, truck and supplies		122.24
J. A. Whitehurst, labor		3.60
Harry Brown, labor		4.00
E. H. Colby, spikes		2.73
Dwight McCullough, labor, self and truck		43.83
D. H. Gilman, labor		11.20
New England Metal Culvert Co.		454.72
J. M. Hayward, self, truck and oil		68.35
John Rowell, trucks and winch		15.00
Orlando Braman, labor		36.40
Catherine Chase, land damage		10.00
	$	1,584.32

Primary and Election Expense

D. H. Gilman, presiding officer	$	4.00
C. C. Liese, presiding officer		4.00
Esther Smith, Town Clerk		8.00
L. E. Grant, ballot clerk		8.00
F. B. Sanborn, ballot clerk		8.00
Alberta S. Dacier, ballot clerk		8.00
Alma C. Travers, ballot clerk		4.00
Shirley M. Bellefeuille, ballot clerk		4.00
Marion A. Grant, assisting clerk		4.00
Ina A. Grant, assisting clerk		4.00
Minnie B. Goodwin, assisting clerk		8.00
P. J. Heath, assisting absent voters		2.00
S. C. Wilson, assisting absent voters		2.00
J. R. Kennedy, assisting absent voters		2.00
Chelsea Job Press, printing primary and general election		49.75
	$	121.75

Insurance

F. Ray Keyser, agent	$	84.20
O. Fay Allen Sr., agent		65.44
Farm Bureau Automobile Ins. Co.		46.80
O. Fay Allen Jr., agent		73.60
Merle G. Colby, agent		20.80
	$	290.84

Appropriations

The Chelsea Public Library	$	500.00
W. A. Reed (Memorial Day)		100.00
E. B. Hatch (Treas. C. F. D. No. 1) fire		

protection		100.00
	$	700.00

Taxes Assessed

C. C. Liese, fire	$	5.93
H. N. Mattison, county		130.44
C. C. Liese, property		208.50
State Treasurer, highway		770.71
State Treasurer, Old Age Assistance		1,064.25
Vermont Agricultural Extension Service		199.42
	$	2,379.25

Graders

Messier Mfg., welding and repairs	$	40.50
Reynolds & Sons Inc., bolts		.41
Naef Hdw. Co., supplies		2.56
Inter State Eqpt. & Supply Co., blades		11.54
Vermont Road Equip. Co., blades		20.70
Casellini-Venable Corp., bearings		7.68
Dwight McCullough, labor		11.25
	$	94.64

Roads

Wells Lamson Quarry Co., crushed stone	$	87.14
Treasurer of Vermont, cold patch		52.00
Esther Smith, Treas., town's part of resurfacing No. 2 and 3		104.99
	$	244.13

Commons

Elwin Kendall, labor	$	26.00
Pub Kennedy, cutting tree		2.00
Messier Mfg. Co., trimming trees		199.36
W. S. Gilman, labor		28.80
O. E. Burgess, labor on wood, limbs, etc.		71.20
O. E. Burgess, truck removing wood, leaves, limbs, etc.		34.00
O. E. Burgess, mowing and trimming		49.80
	$	411.16

Dog Damage to Sheep

Annie M. Boyd, 4 sheep killed, 3 lambs hurt	$	55.00

Street and Bridge Lighting

Central Vt. Public Service Corp.	$	343.75

A. C. Coburn, caring for bridge lamp		3.00
	$	346.75

Interest

Orange County Branch		
National White River Bank in Bethel	$	443.37

Loans Paid

Orange County Branch		
National White River Bank in Bethel	$	15,000.00

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Our town highway system comprises 92.90 miles of roads divided as follows: 8.0 miles "state aid" highway. 10.75 miles "state" highway and 74.15 miles "town" highway.

The state highway consists of the highway from Tunbridge Town line to the Washington Town line and from the junction at the Bank Block to the Vershire line. The State Aid Highways are the roads from Densmore's corner to the Brookfield Town line above Irving Hood's and from the junction near James Kennedy's to the Arthur Bacon place and from the Strafford bridge to the Tunbridge Town line on the Strafford road. The balance are Town Highways.

General Highway Account

Dwight McCullough, Road Commissioner

Money Available

Balance Jan. 1, 1950	$	75.61
Town Tax of $.60		3,760.41
Total Available	$	3,836.02
Total Orders Drawn		4,284.20
Overdraft	$	448.18

General Highway

Ernest Royce, labor	$	404.90
Mike Kennedy, labor with truck		394.05
Merle Colby, labor with truck		231.70
Dwight McCullough, labor and with truck		556.50
Edward Paul, labor with team		5.12
E. E. Luce, labor with team		89.28
Everett La Francis, labor		30.72
H. G. Lyford, labor with tractor		79.25
George Hayward, labor with truck		96.60
J. B. Hill, labor		18.00
Leo. F. Doyle, labor with team and tractor		69.70

A. W. Coburn, labor with team	55.60
Donald Ramsey, labor	41.40
D. L. Blakeney, labor	6.40
Isadore Verge, labor with team and tractor	69.25
Willard Hatch, labor	36.00
Nelson Dukett, labor with team	104.80
Clyde Hook, labor	51.20
Everett Spear, labor with team	5.40
Richard Lyon, labor with tractor	23.00
Elmer C. Woodworth, labor with team and tractor	38.00
George Lyford, Jr., labor with tractor	46.00
Harry Brown, labor	201.23
Alton Felch, labor with tractor	138.00
Sidney Gilman, labor with truck	13.80
Roger Gilman, labor and with tractor	40.00
Dwight McCullough, Jr., labor	29.20
Charles McCullough, labor	12.00
Paul Libby, labor with tractor	80.96
Walter Druge, labor with team	92.40
Elwin Kendall, labor	26.50
Lionel Roberts, labor with team and tractor	48.00
Frank Gates, labor with team	14.40
Kenneth O'Donnell, labor	29.44
J. M. Hayward, labor with truck	100.80
O. E. Burgess, labor and with truck	274.75
Orlando Braman, labor	137.70
Julius Whitehurst, labor	192.80
David McLeod, labor	175.00
Edgar Downing, labor	4.00
Warren Mattoon, labor with tractor	27.60
O. Fay Allen, Sr., bond	20.00
Harry Stender, 448 yds. gravel @ 10c per yd.	44.80
Guy Moxley, 108 yds. gravel @ 10c per yd.	10.80
Dwight McCullough, stamps, ledger sheets, etc.	1.40
Collector of Internal Revenue, withholding taxes	30.90

C. C. Liese, tax collector, taxes for:

Edward Paul	$ 1.28
E. E. Luce	11.52
Everett LaFrancis	27.68
Harry Brown	16.77
Paul Libby	20.24

Kenneth O'Donald	7.36	
		84.85
		$ 4,284.20

Unselected Highways

Received from State of Vermont	$ 8,610.33
Received from Frank Bowen, bulldozing	27.00
Received from Harrison Eddy, bulldozing	6.00
Received from Alan Carpenter, bulldozing	12.00
Received from George Bradshaw, gravel and hauling	11.50
Received from George Dacier, gravel and hauling	74.83
Received from Irio Bianchi, sale of culvert	28.81
Received from Joseph Messier, hauling fill	50.00
Received from Bay State Ice Cream Co., gravel and hauling	22.54
Received from Harry Hayward, bulldozing	60.00
Received from Lionel Roberts, bulldozing	9.00
	$ 8,912.01
Orders Drawn	8,884.83
Balance Dec. 31, 1950	$ 27.18
Due from Kenneth Colby $ 3.00	
Due from Elsa Citroen 6.00	
	9.00
Balance Available 1951	$ 36.18

Orders

Harry Brown, labor	$ 328.80
J. A. Whitehurst, labor	206.40
Dwight McCullough, Jr., labor	52.00
Ernest Royce, labor	404.90
Charles McCullough, labor	18.40
Jack Kennedy, labor	333.72
Allen McCullough, labor	4.40
Donald Ramsay, labor	27.00
Edgar Downing, labor	4.00
Roger Gilman, labor	18.40
Orlando Braman, labor	27.50
Warren Mattoon, man and tractor	25.00
Merle Colby, man and tractor	20.70
Dwight McCullough, man and truck	945.10
O. E. Burgess, man and truck	1,050.60

Mike Kennedy, man and truck,	444.40
G. H. Hayward, man and truck	460.00
J. M. Hayward, man and truck	362.40
Ernest Ward, man and truck	283.40
W. H. Martin, shovel and operator, truck and man	1,083.10
Don Orr, man and truck	369.60
Ralph Coburn, man and truck	58.50
Arthur Beede, man and truck	359.20
Town of Orange, man and truck	52.80
Harold Rood, man and truck	359.20
Stanley Davis, man and truck	155.20
New Eng. Metal Culvert Co., culverts	690.87
Nellie Flint Est., gravel	310.40
Harry Stender, gravel	26.80
Guy Moxley, gravel	308.10
F. J. Austin, labor	28.80
A. Kings Pit, gravel	12.00
Town of Tunbridge, use of shovel	35.00
Harley Sutton, 1c toll 884 loads	8.84
Collector Int. Revenue	9.30
	$ 8,884.83

Withholding Taxes: Orlando Braman $1.30, Ernest Royce $2.70 and Jack Kennedy $5.30.

Snow Roads

Rec'd from State of Vermont	$ 1,658.24
Rec'd from Washington	268.50
	$ 1,926.74
Orders drawn	2,522.08
Over draft Dec. 31, 1950	$ 595.34

Orders

Alton Felch, honing	23.10
Warren Mattoon, honing	15.40
Don Hale, honing	2.70
G. C. Lyford, honing	63.45
George Dacier, sanding	7.00
G. H. Hayward, sanding	78.00
A. C. Coburn, sanding	12.00
Charles Lyford, sanding	6.40
G. K. Cushman, sanding	5.60
H. S. Brown, sanding and plowing	20.40
George Gates, sanding	51.00

J. M. Hayward, hauling sand	19.20
E. H. Colby, hauling salt	15.00
F. J. Austin, sand 200 yds.	20.00
Mabel Hayward, sand 76 yds.	7.60
Town Tunbridge, shoveling sand	20.00
International Salt Co., salt	99.00
Harold Hayward, truck and helper sanding	36.40
Larry Kennedy, labor	1.60
O. E. Burgess, truck, labor and cash paid labor	43.00
Roger Gilman, sanding	10.00
Waldo Taylor, self, helper, tractor and plow	109.91
S. A. Burbank, self, tractor and plow	26.95
Warren Hook, self, tractor and plow	16.20
Kenneth O'Donnell, plowing road	91.60
Dwight McCullough, Jr., labor snow fence	7.20
Charles McCullough, labor snow fence and plowing	36.40
Mike Kennedy, self and truck plowing	390.31
Put Kennedy, labor	72.90
Jack Kennedy, labor	280.02
Richard Kennedy, labor	65.80
G. D. Lyford, labor	256.25
Melvin Deroleau, labor	126.20
Victor Forrester, labor	62.60
Herbert Kennedy, labor	5.60
Ernest Royce, labor	11.20
Merle Colby, labor	89.50
Lewis Austin, labor	54.40
Dwight McCullough, labor and use of truck	240.25
Merle Nelso, labor	6.40
Clarence Kennedy, labor	9.14
Allen McCullough, labor	6.40
	$ 2,522.08

State Aid Highways

Amount received from State No. 1	$ 1,487.90
Amount received from State No. 2	104.93
Amount received from State No. 3	105.05
Amount paid by Town No. 2 and 3	104.99
	1,802.87
Orders Drawn	1,720.77
Amount on hand Dec. 31, 1950	$ 82.10
Includes Overpayment by state of	$ 62.07

Orders

Ernest Royce, labor	$	98.70
Orlando Braman, labor		10.80
Harry Brown, labor		76.00
Julius Whitehurst, labor		58.40
Dwight McCullough, Jr., labor		1.20
Jack Kennedy, labor		37.50
Dwight McCullough, self and truck		197.30
O. E. Burgess, self and truck		170.20
G. H. Hayward, self and truck		88.00
Mike Kennedy, self and truck		107.20
J. M. Hayward, self and truck		92.80
Ernest Ward, self and truck		11.70
Ralph Coburn, man and truck		75.90
Don Orr, man and truck		92.80
Stanley Davis, man and truck		22.40
Harold Rood, man and truck		22.40
Town of Orange, man and truck		4.80
Arthur Beede, man and truck		4.80
W. H. Martin, shovel and operator, man and truck		266.80
Nellie Flint, Est., 2,352 yds. gravel 10c		235.20
Guy Moxley, 447 yds. gravel 10c		44.70
H. F. Sutton, 1c toll, 117 loads gravel		1.17
	$	1,720.77

Selected Highway

Received from State special ½c gas tax	$	2,601.80
Orders drawn		2,600.75
Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1950	$	1.05
Amount available from State was	$	2,612.33

Orders

Ernest Royce, labor	$	74.60
Julius Whitehurst, labor		64.80
Harry Brown, labor		70.00
Jack Kennedy, labor		36.25
Dwight McCullough, self and truck		276.90
G. H. Hayward, self and truck		155.20
J. M. Hayward, self and truck		153.60
Mike Kennedy, self and truck		160.00
O. E. Burgess, self and truck		200.00
Ernest Ward, man and truck		59.80
Ralph Coburn, man and truck		74.10
Arthur Beede, man and truck		134.40

Don Orr, man and truck	132.80
Town of Orange, man and truck	105.60
Harold Rood, man and truck	110.40
W. H. Martin, shovel and operator, man and truck	383.40
Nellie Flint, Est., 2,194 yds. gravel 10c	219.40
New Eng. Metal Culvert Co.	161.50
Dwight McCullough, Jr.	28.00
	$ 2,600.75

OVERSEER'S REPORT

Orders drawn by Harold W. Hayward, overseer of the poor.

Vt. State Dept. of Social Welfare, for dependent children	$ 572.65
Dupont children care	237.74
Mark Dunbar	200.00
David Blakeney	268.30
Lillian Willard	224.90
Lester Holmes	8.69
Winifred Paul	62.37
Joseph Comolli	269.65
Hazel Holmes	259.30
Nora Braman	877.33
Edward Paul	42.30
Mabel Cleaves	135.00
Berthold Coburn	177.90
Marlene Blakeney	46.22
Florence Erno	46.50
Guy Coburn	3.13
Harry Brown	15.49
Laurence Carey	34.50
Sarah Beede	105.96
Bernard Weiss	177.10
Mahlon Young	15.00
Pauline Cahill	46.35
Charles Blakeney	24.80
Mary Beede	17.97
Shirley Denko	163.57
Richard Beede	149.44
Bert Ashley	90.04
Clarence Croft	71.80
Transients	3.00
Labor on Blake House	9.60

Postage, telephone calls, order books		4.18
Premium on bond		12.00
Total Orders Drawn	$	4,372.78

HAROLD W. HAYWARD

Refunds on Overseer's Accounts—		
Jeanne Brown	$	15.00
Sarah Beede		30.00
Town of Brkfld., Mrs. Orvis Keyes		58.05
Lester Holmes		8.69
Clyde Beede		214.40
Dukette		56.49
Orville Ladd		3.60
Linda Croft		118.30
David Blakeney		170.00
Town of Chelsea for B. Weiss		27.00
Town of Brookfield for Shirley Denko		163.57
	$	865.10

ROBERT'S POOR FUND

Disbursements for 7 persons or families	$	346.14
Flour for Board members		40.00
Amount spent in 1950	$	386.14

D. H. GILMAN, Chairman

ROBERT'S POOR FUND — TREAS. REPORT

Receipts

Balance on hand, Jan. 1, 1950—		
In checking account	$	11.25
In savings account		43.26
	$	54.51
Interest on savings account		5.19
Received from Old Colony Trust Co.		490.00
	$	549.70

Disbursements

Paid orders drawn by Board	$	386.14
	$	163.56
Balance on hand, Jan. 1, 1951—		
In checking account	$	125.11
In savings account		38.45
	$	163.56

ESTHER E. SMITH, Treas.

VERMONT
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE
Montpelier, Vermont

In accordance with established custom, we are presenting a summary of State assistance payments during 1950 to individuals applying from Chelsea.

These payments are financed entirely from State and Federal sources except Aid to Dependent Children in which the town or city participates to the extent of 12½ percent and committed children for whom the municipality reimburses the State for one-half the cost. The cost of all programs continues to reflect the economic consequences of the devaluation of the American Dollar.

Approximately 80 percent of all welfare and assistance in Vermont is paid by the State. Vermont has proportionately fewer individuals receiving aid and smaller average payments than the National average. Ninety-six cents out of each public assistance dollar is paid to recipients and only four cents is used for administration. No other State has a better record.

Old Age Assistance	$ 14,822.00
Aid to the Blind	1,500.00
Aid to Dependent Children	4,599.00
Adult Crippled Aid	276.00
Committed Children	615.28
Total	$ 21,812.28

W. ARTHUR SIMPSON,
Commissioner

REPORT OF CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

The following new funds have been added this year:

Gerald Bixby, lot No. 159	$ 100.00
Stanley C. Wilson, lot No. 94½	200.00
Purl H. MacKeil, lot No. 110½	100.00
Gloden S. Fay, lot No. 238	100.00
Anna Sargent, lot No. 13	100.00
Mary Burbank, lot No. 253	100.00
Florence Emery, lot No. 104½	100.00
Paul L. Taplin, lot No. 78½	100.00
Dan Dickinson, lot No. E	150.00
O. Fay Allen, Jr., lot No. 86½	100.00
Mrs. Margaret McFarlene, lot No. 30½	100.00
Estate of Harry Cole, lot No. 286½	100.00

Herbert Judd, lot No. 28			50.00
		$	1,400.00

Orders Drawn by Chairman

J. B. Hill, labor		$	209.33
W. A. Reed, labor			51.80
Henry A. Royce, labor			25.73
Cecil Densmore, labor			8.80
Lloyd Hill, labor			18.40
Dwight McCullough, labor			6.40
Edgar R. Downing, labor			238.40
Alfred Buick, labor			12.80
Clyde Lyon, labor			161.50
Ralph Lyon, labor			3.00
Chelsea Job Press, printing			8.25
Esther Smith, services as Treas.	$ 20.00		
Cash paid for postage	4.40		
			24.40
E. H. Colby, services as Supt.	$ 35.00		
Wheelbarrow, lawn trimmer, supplies	46.79		
			81.79
Total		$	850.60

TREASURER'S CEMETERY REPORT

Receipts

Balance on hand, Jan. 1, 1950	$	30.02
Rec'd from Hilas E. Roberts Cemetery Fund, care of lots		20.00
City Institution for Savings, interest from Joel Ordway Fund		2.25
Town of Tunbridge		2.50
Sale of lots		75.00
Interest on U. S. Bonds		487.88
From Individuals for care of lots		234.25
Total	$	851.90

Disbursements

Paid orders	$	746.41
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1950	$	105.49
Outstanding orders:		
No. 708 Dec. 29, 1950 Esther Smith	$	24.40
No. 709 Dec. 29, 1950 E. H. Colby		81.79

CEMETERY TRUST FUND
By the Auditors

Total funds Jan. 1, 1950	$ 19,919.19
Funds added per report	1,405.73
Total funds Dec. 31, 1950	$ 21,324.92
These funds are invested as follows:	
U. S. Savings Bonds, Series G	$ 20,300.00
Savings account in Chelsea Bank	724.92
Savings account in City Inst. for Savings, Lowell, Mass.	300.00
	$ 21,324.92

To the Voters of Chelsea:

The commissioners of Highland Cemetery respectfully report that during 1951 it will be necessary to rebuild portions of the fence surrounding the cemetery and make more than usual repairs to the roads in the cemetery. The small income available to us from funds for the general care of the cemetery is not enough to pay this extra expense.

Moreover, with increased costs, we are having great difficulty in caring for the cemetery lots properly, since we have many lots with no endowment funds and no contributing relatives of the persons buried on the lots.

We ask, therefore, that for the ensuing year the Town appropriate Two Hundred Dollars to be used for Highland Cemetery.

EDWARD B. HATCH,
PERCY J. HEATH,
E. HAROLD COLBY,
STANLEY C. WILSON,
Commissioners

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC MONEY FOR CHELSEA WEST HILL CEMETERY

Balance in Bank Jan. 1, 1950	$ 15.06
Cash on hand	30.23
Received Interest on Gov't Bonds	42.50
Received of Town Clerk for Mrs. S. C. Wilson for perpetual care of the E. N. Bacon lot	100.00
Received of Lovell Lathrop for lot No. 59	10.00
Received of Wilson Grant for lot No. 58	10.00
Received of Mrs. A. G. Bradshaw for care of lot	2.00

Received of Mrs. George Chase for care of lot		2.00
	$	211.79
Paid Bank for Bond for E. M. Bacon lot	$	100.00
Paid Edwin La Francis for mowing lots		35.00
Paid for Weed killer		4.00
Paid for burning brush, self and man		16.00
Paid for building fence, self, two men and truck		20.00
Balance in Bank Jan. 1, 1951		22.78
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1951		14.01
	$	211.79
Due from Joe Horton on lot	$	5.00
Due from Everett Eastman on lot		10.00

HARRY L. HAYWARD,
For Trustees

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT OF THE HILAS E. ROBERTS CEMETERY FUND

Principal of Fund — $500.00

Balance in Savings Acct. Jan. 1, 1950	$	63.34
Rec'd interest on same		.97
Rec'd interest on U. S. Bond No. 14340-27		12.50
	$	76.81
Disbursements for care of Lot A		20.00
Balance in Savings acct. Jan. 1, 1951	$	56.81

TOWNSEND FUND FOR CARE OF STREET APPROACH TO HIGHLAND CEMETERY

Principal of Fund — $803.36

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1950	$	16.26
Interest		20.28
	$	36.54
Paid for labor		19.00
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1951	$	17.54

ADA HALL JACKSON FUND FOR THE CARE OF TREES ON HIGHLAND AVENUE

Principal of Fund — $500.00

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1950	$	18.89
Interest rec'd on savings		.50
Interest rec'd on bonds		12.50
	$	31.89

Paid for labor, trimming trees		10.00
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1951	$	21.89

REPORT OF CHELSEA AND ALDEN SPEAR MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Report of Librarian

The circulation for the past year has been 6400. An average of 63+ each day the library was open.

172 books were added during the year. 125 of these were gifts for adults and nine for juvenile.

Magazines were also contributed to us regularly and others donated frequently. Magazines that do not circulate freely have been taken from our subscription list.

One Juvenile Memorial book was presented to the Library this past year by the American Legion Auxiliary in memory of their first president Mrs. Lavina MacKiel. "Mr. Jones Meet The Master" was also given in memory of John Moore Comstock by Mrs. Grace Chapin.

154 Adult and 106 Juvenile books have been loaned to us by the Free Public Library Commission. Also we have borrowed from the N. H. State Library and Dartmouth College Library.

When requested we have loaned to other Libraries.

Books and material have been sent to the schools and in May the first four grades visited the Library and were taught how to select and have their books charged.

Two chairs to use at the work table and a small table for the Children's Corner have been loaned to the Library for an indefinite time. Two children's chairs were purchased.

Due to the fact that we received so many books as gifts, fewer books have been purchased and thus we could buy a Card Catalog Cabinet and cards, and the Fiction is now being Cataloged.

The librarian and assistants appreciate the help received from individuals in accomplishing this huge task and also in the repairing of books.

Respectfully submitted,

(Mrs.) INA J. STEVENS,
Librarian

REPORT OF LIBRARY TREASURER

Receipts

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1950	$	104.08
Town appropriation		500.00
Income from Robert's Fund		170.00
Income from Braley Fund		5.00
Income from Stow Fund		36.00
Rentals and fines		29.89
Books discarded and lost		1.95
Total Receipts	$	846.92

Expenditures

Librarian and assistant	$	200.00
Books		98.84
Periodicals		53.25
Library supplies		11.60
Postage and P. O. Box		7.57
Card Filing Cabinet and 4,000 cards		80.70
Two chairs for children		7.50
Janitor service and extra cleaning		103.24
Fuel		112.57
Fire Insurance Premium		24.96
Oil-burner cleaning and repair		4.95
Miscellaneous		1.85
Total Expenditures	$	707.03
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1951	$	139.89

Respectfully submitted,

MARTHA J. ORDWAY,
Treasurer

TAXES ABATED

Raymond and Angela Kennedy — 1944 prop.	$	18.75
Winona Melvin — 1947, 1948 and 1949 balance of personal property		51.29
Paul Gagne and wife, 2 1949 polls		17.00
	$	87.04

REPORT OF DOGS LICENSED BY TOWN CLERK

193 dogs were licensed and after fees were deducted, $423.75 was turned over to Town Treasurer.

BOARD OF TRADE FUND FOR CARE OF COMMONS

Principal of Fund — $200.00
U. S. Gov't. Bond No. C 3099260 G and C 3099259 G
Interest $5.00 — paid General Town
Acct. toward care of commons.

REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR, Jan. 2, 1950

C. C. Liese, Tax Collector

	Uncollected Jan. 1, '50	Collected	Uncollected Jan. 2, '51
1939 Property	6.68	6.68	$
1940 Property	22.40	22.40	
1941 Property	7.60	7.60	
1943 Polls	12.50		12.50
1944 Property	18.75	18.75	
1945 Polls	6.25	6.25	
1946 Property	119.31	72.13	47.18
1946 Polls	6.75	6.75	
1947 Property	434.87	367.12	67.75
1947 Polls	28.33	28.33	
1948 Property	1,379.74	1,006.48	373.26
1948 Polls	66.16	33.08	33.08
1949 Property	3,686.65	3,242.35	444.30
1949 Polls	612.00	488.50	123.50
1950 Polls	4,029.00	3,595.50	433.50
1950 Property	34,760.11	31,878.20	2,881.91
	$45,197.10	40,780.12	4,416.98

DELINQUENT TAXES

January 3, 1951

Ackerman, Gertrude M.		
1947 Property	$ 1.20	
1948 Property	1.46	
1949 Property	1.50	
1950 Property	1.50	
		$ 5.66
Austin, Ernest G. and Irene		
1950 Property	113.40	
(Irene) 1950 Property	36.00	
		149.40
Austin, Lewis and Thelma		
2—1950 Polls	17.00	
1950 Property	6.00	
		23.00

Bellefeuille, John A. and Shirley—1950 Prop.		87.00
Blakeney, David and Madeline—1950 Property		4.46
Brown, Harley G. and Dorothy—2, 1950 Polls		17.00
Buker, Edith M.—1950 Property		21.00
Cahill, Robt.—1949 Poll		8.50
Carey, Laurence and Zilla—2, 1950 Polls		17.00
Carpenter, Allan and Elaine—1950 Property		91.20
Cleaves, Mabel J.—1950 Property		39.07
Coburn, Ralph and Anna S.—1950 Property		123.00
Conn. Valley Constr. Co.—1949 Property		120.00
Croft, R. J. and Linda M.		
1948 Property	267.15	
1949 Property	289.50	
1950 Property	157.20	
		713.85
Dickerman, Harold E.—1950 Property		19.50
Doyle, Leo and Betty M.		
2—1950 Polls	17.00	
1950 Property	130.50	
		147.50
Dukette, Rudolph—1950 Poll		8.50
Dupras, Archie J. and Nettie—1950 Prop.		114.30
Eastman, Everett and Ely M.		
1949 Property	.88	
2—1950 Polls	17.00	
1950 Property	12.00	
		29.88
Forrester, Victor J.—1950 Poll		8.50
Fletcher, Chas. B. Est.—1950 Property		16.50
Gardner, John R. and Ruth—2, 1949 Polls		17.00
Goodrich, Jos. A. and Mae—2, 1950 Polls		17.00
Griffin, John E. E.—1950 Property		9.00
Hale, Daniel T.		
1948 Property	25.97	
2—1948 Polls	16.54	
1949 Property	9.60	
2—1949 Polls	17.00	
2—1950 Polls	17.00	
		86.11
Hayward, Esther M.—1949 Poll		8.50
Hill, Lloyd and Alice		
2—1950 Polls	17.00	
1950 Property	9.00	
		26.00

Holmes, Hazel D.		
1950 Poll	8.50	
1950 Property	59.98	
		68.48
Holmes, Lester M.		
1949 Poll	4.50	
2—1950 Polls	17.00	
		21.50
Holmes, Robt. and Lottie—2, 1950 Polls		17.00
Hopkins, Clyde B. and Maude—1950 Prop.		21.00
Hood, Irving A.		
1949 Poll	8.50	
1950 Poll	8.50	
		17.00
Jones, Ethan		
1949 Poll	8.50	
1950 Poll	8.50	
		17.00
Kendall, Elwin S.—1950 Property		1.50
Kennedy, Richard and Florence		
2—1950 Polls	17.00	
1950 Property	36.00	
		53.00
Kill, Harrison and Edith—1950 Property		18.00
Kucheusky, Peter—1950 Property		33.00
Ladd, Orville M.		
1947 Property	7.16	
1948 Property	14.43	
1948 Poll	8.27	
1949 Poll	8.50	
1950 Poll	8.50	
		46.86
LaFlam, Ethel—1950 Poll		8.50
LaFrancis, Everett G. and Bernice		
2—1950 Polls	17.00	
1950 Property	30.00	
		47.00
Libby, Paul D.—1950 Property		161.10
Little, Emma Est. and E. B. Hatch		
1950 Property	102.00	
1950 Property	6.00	
		108.00
Luce, Ernest E. and Lizzie		
2—1950 Polls	17.00	
1950 Property	125.10	

1950 Property	24.00	
		166.10
Lyford, Herbert G. and Gertrude		
2—1950 Polls	17.00	
1950 Property	140.82	
		157.82
Malone, Francis J.—2, 1950 Polls		17.00
Mahoney, Robt. D. —1950 Property		30.00
Melvin, Winona—1950 Property		64.00
Moulton, Raymond and Electa—1950 Property		84.90
O'Donnell, Harry		
1950 Poll	8.50	
1950 Property	24.00	
		32.50
O'Donnell. Kenneth A.—1950 Property		65.70
Ordway, Mary D.—1950 Property		75.00
Osmer, Harold and Edith—2, 1950 Polls		17.00
Paul, Edw. and Winifred		
1949 Property	22.82	
1950 Property	24.00	
		46.82
Parker, Chas. E.—1950 Poll		8.50
Perkins, Mark C.—1950 Property		48.00
Pratt, Elmer D. and Olive—1950 Property		96.00
Rathburn, Mary J. heirs—1950 Property		12.00
Reed, Marion G. and Harry O'Donnell		
1950 Poll	8.50	
1950 Property	61.50	
		70.00
Root, Waverly and Joanne—1950 Property		177.78
Sanborn, Clyde G.		
2—1950 Polls	17.00	
1950 Property	84.00	
		101.00
Scott, Francis J. and Barbara—2, 1943 Polls		12.50
Shaw, Robt. M. and Geo—1950 Property		43.20
Stevens, Eldred C. and Vivian—1950 Property		70.50
Surprize, Herbert		
1948 Poll	8.27	
1949 Poll	8.50	
1950 Polls	8.50	
		25.27
Taylor, William		
2—1949 Polls	17.00	

2—1950 Polls	17.00	
		34.00
Thompson, Cecil and Eva—2, 1950 Polls		17.00
Thompson, Kenneth G. and Dorothy		
1948 Property	30.21	
1950 Property	21.00	
		51.21
Tucker, Orman A.—1950 Poll		8.50
Tucker, Pauline—1950 Poll		8.50
Whipple, Winifred and Mabel		
1946 Property	47.18	
1947 Property	59.39	
1948 Property	34.04	
1950 Poll	8.50	
1950 Property	60.00	
		209.11
Whitehurst, Julius and Evelyn		
1950 Poll	8.50	
1950 Property	31.20	
		39.70
Weis, Bernard E. and Norma—1950 Prop.		60.00

SCHOOL DIRECTORS' REPORT

For School Year July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950

Receipts

Money borrowed	$ 25,000.00
Tuition	1,980.00
State Treas., State Aid	12,900.02
State Treas., Agr. Education	1,826.97
Town School Tax (3.30)	23,092.68
Veterans' Training Program	216.77
Roberts Fund	935.77
Rent of gym. and shop	69.00
Lease land rentals	59.91
Sale of typewriter	25.00
Refund, Farm Bureau Ins. Co.	5.92
	$ 66,112.04
Less overdraft June 30, 1949	1,718.97
Total Receipts	$ 64,393.07
Less orders drawn	64,107.28
Balance on hand	$ 285.79

Outstanding Orders

No. 946	$ 16.32
No. 945	15.86
No. 957	83.71
No. 962	2.21
No. 964	375.35
	$ 493.45

Reconciliation of Balance

Balance as per Treas. Report June 30, 1950	$ 779.24
Less outstanding orders	493.45
	$ 285.79

COOPERATIVE DEBT STATEMENT

Year as of June 30:

1946 net balance	$ 28.80
1947 net debt	3,940.43
1948 net debt	4,071.13
1949 net debt	3,718.97
1950 net debt	9,714.21

Summary of Expenditures

Teachers' Salaries	$ 19,521.08
State Teachers Retirement	1,275.93
Collector of Internal Revenue	1,442.10
Janitor service	1,494.00
School Directors	175.50
Superintendence	1,104.03
Music	323.47
Transportation	3,035.78
Fuel	2,002.77
Repairs	2,708.88
Supplies	1,889.71
Books	544.22
Lights	301.85
Telephone	108.24
Insurance	498.24
Borrowed money paid back and interest	17,176.69
Labor	675.75
Agricultural Work Shop	9,477.07
Miscellaneous	351.97
	$ 64,107.28

ITEMIZED EXPENSES
July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950
Village School

Teachers salaries —		
Richard H. March	$ 2,998.08	
Mrs. Agnes Bacon	2,193.75	
Mrs. Frances Ladd	2,372.00	
Bruce A. Gaylord	1,380.90	
Elmer C. Roberts	1,515.30	
Mrs. Etta Giles	1,305.60	
Mrs. Mabel A. Ricker	1,369.18	
Mrs. Ruth Hartwell	1,574.00	
		$ 14,708.81
Young Farmer Class —		
Bruce A. Gaylord	$ 79.38	
Raymond Rogers	72.36	
		151.74
Janitors —		
School, Clarence Greene	$ 1,200.00	
Shop, Clarence Greene	117.00	
Gym., George Mathers	107.00	
		1,424.00
Transportation —		
Dwight McCullough	$ 1,049.50	
Glen A. Button	111.80	
Clifford Ryder	118.26	
Albion Jones	38.40	
Robert Ainsworth	54.12	
Gordon Philbrick	33.18	
Waldo Taylor	45.30	
Arthur Magoon	30.42	
Agnes Lyon	1.80	
		1,482.78
Fuel —		
School (soft coal)	$ 958.80	
Shop (nut coal)	229.15	
Gym. (oil)	440.78	
		1,628.73
Lights		218.14
Telephone		108.24
Paint and painting		1,137.00
		$ 20,859.44
Agricultural Work Shop		$ 9,477.07

(See last year's report for itemized account).

Meadow Brook School (No. 1)

Teacher, Mrs. Bessie Stender	$ 1,552.27
Transportation, Vernon Hook	815.00
Fuel (oil)	223.54
Lights	38.76
Plumbing, A. F. Sanborn	449.56
	$ 3,079.13

Barre Road School (No. 5)

Teacher, Mrs. Eunice Burbank	$ 1,462.56
Mrs. Norma Burbank	45.70
Janitor, William Melvin	35.00
Transportation, Dwight McCullough	738.00
Fuel (wood)	82.50
Lights	18.00
	$ 2,381.76

West Hill School (No. 9)

Teacher, Mrs. Beatrice Coburn	$ 1,600.00
Janitor, Dean Dodge	35.00
Fuel (wood)	68.00
Lights	26.95
	$ 1,729.95

All Schools
(Items not listed elsewhere)

Directors	$ 175.50
Superintendent, A. C. Parker	1,104.03
State Teachers Retirement System	1,275.93
Collector of Internal Revenue	1,442.10
Repairs	1,122.32
Supplies	1,889.71
Books	544.22
Insurance	498.24
Borrowed money repaid and interest	17,176.69
Labor	675.75
Miscellaneous	351.97
	$ 26,579.93

Summary

Village School	$ 20,859.44
Agricultural Work Shop	9,477.07
No. 1	3,079.13
No. 5	2,381.76
No. 9	1,729.95

All schools	26,256.46
Total	$ 64,107.28

TREASURER'S REPORT

In Account with School Directors from July 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950

Receipts

Balance on hand July 1, 1949	$ 546.29
Money borrowed	25,000.00
Tuition	1,980.00
State Treas., Agri. Education	1,826.97
State Treas., State Aid	12,900.02
Town School tax	23,092.68
Veterans Training Program	216.77
Roberts School Fund Income	935.77
Rent of gym and shop	69.00
Lease land rent	59.91
Sale of typewriter	25.00
Refund, Farm Bureau Insurance Co.	5.92
	$ 66,658.33

Disbursements

Paid orders outstanding July 1, 1949	$ 2,265.26
Paid current orders	63,613.83
Total orders paid	$ 65,879.09
Balance June 30, 1950	$ 779.24

Outstanding Orders June 30, 1950

No. 945	June 14, 1950	Arthur Magoon	$ 15.86
No. 946	June 14, 1950	Albion Jones	16.32
No. 957	June 25, 1950	Washington Elec. Corp.	83.71
No. 962	June 28, 1950	Extension Service	2.21
No. 964	June 28, 1950	Teachers Retirement	375.35
			$ 493.45

ESTHER E. SMITH, TREAS.

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR

July 1, 1951 to June 30, 1952

Teachers' salaries	$ 24,700.00
Janitors	2,000.00
School Directors'	190.00
Superintendent	1,200.00
Music	600.00
Transportation	3,600.00
Fuel	2,400.00

Repairs	1,000.00
Supplies	1,700.00
Books	700.00
Lights	400.00
Telephone	110.00
Insurance	500.00
Interest on money	150.00
Labor	650.00
Miscellaneous	100.00
Total	$ 40,000.00

Estimated Receipts

State Treas., school aid	$14,200.00
State Treas., vocational education	1,200.00
Tuition	2,440.00
Roberts Fund	920.00
Veterans' Training Program, depreciation etc.	200.00
Rentals (grammar schools and lease land)	92.00
Rentals (gym. and shop)	68.00
Town tax of $3.30	20,700.00
Total	$ 39,820.00

SCHOOL DIRECTORS' REPORT

July 1, 1950 to Jan. 1, 1951

Teachers	$ 8,469.56
Collector of Internal Revenue	600.10
State Teachers' Retirement	567.66
Janitor	829.21
School Directors	33.40
Superintendent	556.68
Transportation	1,465.43
Music	108.81
Fuel	1,277.34
Repairs	1,157.40
Supplies	1,152.45
Text books	600.80
Lights	135.75
Telephone	43.25
Insurance	341.90
Borrowed money repaid and interest	15,075.85
Labor	781.49
Miscellaneous	70.86
Total orders drawn	$ 33,267.94

SCHOOL TREASURER'S REPORT

July 1, 1950 to Dec. 31, 1950

Receipts

Balance on hand, July 1, 1950	$ 779.24
Town School Tax (Total tax $20,682.26 less $1,444.58 deposited on June 6, '50)	19,237.68
Veterans Training Program, for depreciation on tools	103.09
Sale of books	27.90
Tuition	150.00
State Treas., State Aid for Education	14,081.62
Sale of old iron	1.50
Refund on phone call	.45
Rent of Gym	28.00
Goods sold at auction	4.66
Money borrowed	5,000.00
Total	$ 39,414.14

Disbursements

Total orders paid	$ 33,108.67
Balance on hand, Dec. 31, 1950	$ 6,305.47

Outstanding Orders Jan. 1, 1951

200	Dec. 12, 1950, J. I. Holcomb Mfg. Co.	$ 22.50
222	Dec. 23, 1950, State Teachers' Ret'ment	567.66
225	Dec. 27, 1950, Calder and Richardson	56.18
226	Dec. 27, 1950, Maurice Kennedy	6.38
		$ 652.72

ESTHER E. SMITH, Treas.

VETERANS' TRAINING PROGRAM REPORT

Jan. 1, 1950 to Dec. 31, 1950

Instructors—		
R. R. Rogers	$ 3,330.60	
Hiram L. Tomlinson	110.00	
		$ 3,440.60
Collector of Internal Revenue		40.80
State Teachers' Retirement System		226.80
Mileage		541.69
Administrative Allowance		264.00
Supplies		563.59
Janitor		98.00
Fuel		164.74
Lights and power		125.34
Depreciation on tools to School Acc't.		140.30

Repaid borrowed money and interest	503.25
Miscellaneous	2.28
Total orders drawn	$ 6,111.39

FRANKLIN D. BURBANK

TREASURER'S REPORT OF VETERANS' TRAINING PROGRAM

Jan. 1, 1950 to Dec. 31, 1950

Receipts

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1950	$ 354.61
Rec'd from U. S. Treasury	6,270.05
Total Receipts	$ 6,624.66

Disbursements

Less 1950 orders paid	6,111.39
Balance Jan. 1, 1951	$ 513.27

ESTHER E. SMITH,
Treasurer

REPORT OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS

To the Voters:

For the school year ending June 30, 1950, our indebtedness was increased considerably, but when one considers that we paid out $9,477.07 on the Agricultural building, the figure takes on new significance. Transportation costs were higher, and will continue to be, due mostly to new transportation regulations.

Over $800.00 was spent during this present school year for panic hardware and the hot lunch room exit. Other improvements include a few chairs and desks for the high school, painting, etc.

The Veterans' Training Program, with an average of 19 Veterans, is self supporting. They help out with purchase of fuel, building maintenance, depreciation on tools, etc.

New improvements the coming year should include painting the High School building roof, and provide some means of more pressure on the gymnasium water supply. We hope to balance the budget with the same tax as last year.

Respectfully submitted,
FRANKLIN D. BURBANK,
I. S. RUSHWORTH,
INEZ F. ROWELL,
School Directors

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Board of School Directors and Citizens of Chelsea:

This report is for the school year ending June 30, 1950, and is a part of the report of the Board of School Directors required by law.

Three one-teacher schools and the Chelsea High and Graded school were maintained, the elementary schools for thirty-five weeks and the high school for thirty-six weeks. The average number of pupils enrolled in the elementary schools was 203, and the average daily attendance was 188.73. The average number enrolled in high school was 51, and the average daily attendance was 44.76. Forty-eight of the high school pupils were residents of the district and three were non-resident tuition pupils. There were eight non-resident elementary school pupils. The average cost per pupil was, for elementary schools $125, and for high school $291.65. Forty-three elementary school pupils were transported at an average cost of $70.59.

The total number of different elementary school pupils enrolled was 215. One hundred eighty-four were promoted, ten were promoted conditionally, eight were not promoted, eleven transferred to other schools, and two dropped out of school. The number of different high school pupils was fifty-three. Thirty-seven were promoted, four were promoted conditionally, three were not promoted, one transferred to another school, and eight dropped out of school. The percentage of attendance for the year was 94.68. The number of children with physical defects reported by teachers were: hearing 8, vision 30, teeth 41, nose and throat 17, heart 4. The number of corrections of physical defects reported were: hearing 1, vision 12, and teeth 4. The number of children immunized were: against smallpox 22, diphtheria 21. Thirty-seven were given the tetanus booster shot.

Repair costs were made necessary by installation of a septic tank for the sewage disposal system at the Meadow Brook school and redecoration of the inside walls and ceilings of the high school. Orders from the fire marshall's office required panic hardware and locks on seven doors of the village building, and a covered exit from the school lunch room in the basement.

Reorganization of the program in the high school with changes in the assignment of classes to teachers and facilities made available by the new gymnasium has made it possible to provide physical education instruction for two of the seven class periods each day. The present program provides forty-five minutes per week for each of the pupils in grades 7 and 8, and ninety minutes per week for each high school pupil. The main features of the program are: grouping by sexes and by physical maturity, participation by everybody, and a balance between a great variety of carefully supervised recreational games and the basic skills and rules of organized sports. The values to be expected from this program should be: better all around physical development of the young people and wholesome attitudes toward personal, social, and community living.

I am grateful to the school directors, parents, teachers, community organizations, and townspeople for their support.

Respectfully submitted,
A. COURTNEY PARKER,
Superintendent of Schools

GYMNASIUM ACCOUNT REPORT
Jan. 1, 1950 to Dec. 31, 1950

Labor:		
Fred Sanborn	$ 233.12	
George Mathers	84.90	
O. E. Burgess	464.10	
Elmer Pratt	67.50	
Vernon N. Hook	63.00	
Total Labor		$ 912.62
Collector of Internal Revenue		119.30
Architects and Comm. Expenses		61.41
Material		467.32
Fred I. Somers & Sons (plumbing and heating)		2,050.00
Machine work hired		82.99
Money paid on notes		1,100.00
Interest on borrowed money		544.67
Total orders drawn		$ 5,338.31

FRANKLIN D. BURBANK,
Chairman

TREASURER'S REPORT

Gymnasium Account Report

Receipts

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1950	$	585.49
Money borrowed		3,000.00
Contributions		641.40
Sale of lumber		280.35
Goods sold at auction		37.82
Rec'd from Veterans' Trg. Program for nails		10.77
Rec'd from D. Ladd, for tin		5.00
Rec'd from Orange Co. Bank, refund of interest		15.50
Rec'd from town tax		1,566.84
Total receipts	$	6,143.17

Disbursements

Paid 1949 outstanding Order No. 487	$	20.00
Paid 1950 orders		5,338.31
Total disbursements		$5,358.31
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1951	$	784.86

VITAL STATISTICS

Births

Jan. 21—Eddy, William Perry, son to Harrison J. and Myrle (Burbank).

Jan. 30—Sanborn, Brian George, son to Glenn H. and Dorothy Mae (Root).

Feb. 6—Kennedy, June Laura, daughter to Maurice F. and Doris M. (Downing).

Feb. 14—Edwards, Laurice Lee, daughter to George A. and Edna E. (Kennedy).

Mar. 27—Cahill, Barbara Pauline, daughter to Francis Robert and Pauline Inez (Morey).

Mar. 28—DeAlmeida, Gayle Ann, daughter to Lincoln M. and Barbara Elaine (Jones).

Mar. 29—Cross, Robert Eugene, son to Robert C. and Mildred Mondella (Johnson).

Apr. 9—Beebe, Linda Lee, daughter to Wilson H. and Polly Ann (Carpenter).

May 1—McFarlane, Patricia Ann, daughter to Kenneth A. and Bessie M. (Blanchard).

May 26—Lyford, Diantha Eunice, daughter to George C. and Thelma (Burbank).

May 30—Burgess, Bette Dawn, daughter to Robert C. and Barbara A. (Neaf).

June 9—Osgood, Fritz William, son to Fritz W. and Lolabelle H. (Carter).

June 23—Button, Catherine Ruth, daughter to Walter F. and Ruth L. (Dodge).

July 4—Gaylord, Penni, daughter to Bruce A. and Irene E. (Ortiz).

July 6—Braman, Sheila Ann, daughter to Howard A. and Mae E. (Payne).

July 19—Austin, Ray Willis, son to Lewis N. and Thelma Nadine (Downing).

Aug. 3—Murphy, Bonita Rae, daughter to Theodore P. and Dorothy Lora (Boardman).

Aug. 6—Hayward, David George, son to George H. and Lillian (Hill).

Aug. 16—Messier, Minnie Ann, daughter to Joseph A. and Edna Mae (Bannister).

Sept. 4—Goodrich, Arthur Wesley, son to Joseph A. and Mae I. (Sargeant).

Oct. 3—Ogilvie, Jane Evans, daughter to James A. and Joan E. (Monroe).

Oct. 11—Carey, Betty Ann, daughter to Lawrence E. and Zilla Frances (Doyle).

Oct. 17—Cushman, Brian Philip, son to George K. and Reba M. (Spear).

Oct. 31—Hayward, Raymond E., son to John M. and Edith G. (Carey).

Nov. 4—Corliss, Robert Emerson, son to Roger E. and Dorothy M. (Moodie).

Nov. 8—Doyle, Patrick Mears, son to Leo F. and Betty P. (Mears).

Nov. 16—Naef, Daniel Bryan, son to Frederick A. and Charlene B. (Marble).

Deaths

1950

Jan. 20—McKeil, Burl Harmon, Jr., Sgt. U. S. M. C. age — (in Jacksonville, N. C.)

Jan. 21—Medcalf, Ida M., age 90 yrs. 20 mos. 23 days. (in Everett, Mass).

Jan. 23—Mattoon, Grace M., age 74 yrs. (in Barre).

Feb. 24—Cole, Harry A., age 77 yrs. (in Barre).

Apr. 19—Lathrop, Dora, age 51 yrs. (in Barre).

May 30—Smith, Walter J., age 79 yrs. 8 mos. 19 days.

June 8—Woodworth, Clayton, age 89 yrs. (in Barre).

July 14—Dunham, Martha Elizabeth, age 73 yrs. 11 mos. 4 days. (in Northfield).

July 31—Ryder, Mabel, age 40 yrs. (in Barre).

Aug. 12—Miles, Harold H., age 28 yrs. 9 mos. 12 days. (in Corinth).

Aug. 29—Willard, Lilla P., age 74 yrs. (in Williamstown).

Sept. 9—Allen, Florence D., age 62 yrs. (in Barre).

Sept. 10—Hood, Forris Ellsworth., age 85 yrs. (in Randolph).

Sept. 27—Allen, Oscar Fay, Sr., age 64 yrs.

Marriages

May 13—Roger Grant Spear and Jennie Alma Hale both of Chelsea.

June 15—Brenton Alden Niles of Montpelier and Vivian Edna Braman of Chelsea.

June 17—Frederick Andrew Naef of Chelsea and Charlene Belle Marble of Washington, Vt.

July 6—Harry Leonard O'Donnell and Marion Jennie Green, both of Chelsea.

Sept. 16—Edwin Charles Anderson of Chelsea and Norma Sarah Rogers of Tunbridge, Vt.

Oct. 14—Charles Augustus Liese of Chelsea and Nellie Juliette Catto of Barre.

Oct. 20—Richard Frederick Archer and Beth Marie Taylor both of Chelsea.

Nov. 19—Edward Frank Holmes and Florence Helen Erno both of Chelsea.

17. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money for the observance of Memorial day, and if so, how much.

18. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money to be used for Highland Cemetery, and if so, how much.

19. To see if the town will authorize its selectmen to contract with Chelsea Fire District No. 1 for fire protection of buildings and other property of the town outside said Fire District and within the town for the year beginning April 1, 1951.

20. To see what action the town will take in regard to the improvement of its town forest.

21. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to sell and convey the Fred D. Blake property, so-called, situated on the Vershire Road, and if so voted, to elect an agent to convey the same.

22. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to sell and convey the Grace C. Mattoon property, so-called, situated in the upper village, if and when acquired by the town, and if so voted, to elect an agent to convey the same.

23. To vote on these questions:

Shall licenses for the sale of malt and vinous beverages be granted in this town?

Shall spirituous liquors be sold in this town?

24. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to set up a revolving fund to guarantee the payment of a percentage of medical expenses owed by Chelsea residents to the medical doctor residing in Chelsea, such fund to be administered by the selectmen or a committee they shall appoint and under regulations they shall prescribe.

25. To transact any other proper business.

O. E. BURGESS,
ANGIER EDWARDS,
DEAN H. GILMAN,
Selectmen.

Chelsea, Vt., Feb. 14, 1951.

WARNING

The legal voters of the Town and Town School District of Chelsea are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Town Hall in Chelsea on Tuesday, the 6th day of March, A. D. 1951, at 10:30 o'clock A. M., to act on the following articles:

1. To choose a moderator and town clerk.

2. To receive and act upon the reports of the several town officers.

3. To see if the town will authorize its selectmen to appoint a road commissioner, and if so, whether one or two shall be appointed.

4. To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year.

5. To choose the town school district officers for the ensuing year.

6. To see if the town will authorize its school directors to rent or sell either one or both school houses, in Nos. 8 and 10.

7. To see if the town will authorize its school directors to change the location of No. 5 school, either by moving the present building; or by selling the present building and land adjoining the same, and erecting a new building, the proposed site being on land owned by Robert Svarfvar.

8. To see what amount of tax the town school district will raise for the maintenance of schools.

9. To see what amount of tax the town school district will raise to retire the indebtedness of the high school gymnasium.

10. To see what amount of tax the town will vote for the maintenance of highways.

11. To raise money to pay the town's indebtedness and current expenses for the ensuing year.

12. To see if the town will authorize its selectmen to borrow money from time to time when necessary to carry on the business of the town.

13. To see if the town will vote to place its tax bills in the hands of the Town Treasurer for collection.

14. To see if the town will vote to collect taxes on real and personal property in installments.

15. To see if the town will vote to fix the compensation of town officers, and if so, how much.

16. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money for the support of the Chelsea Public Library, and if so, how much.

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Chelsea, Vermont

Year ending December 31, 1951

ANNUAL REPORT

CHELSEA, VT.

DECEMBER 31, 1951

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TOWN OFFICERS 1951-1952

Moderator,		F. Ray Keyser
Town Clerk,		Esther E. Smith
Town Treasurer,		Esther E. Smith
	Angier M. J. Edwards,	Term expires 1952
Selectmen,	Dean H. Gilman,	Term expires 1953
	Walter L. Kennedy,	Term expires 1954
Overseer of Poor,		Selectmen
Road Commissioner,		Dwight McCullough
Collector of Taxes,		Chauncey C. Liese
	George P. Bradshaw,	Term expires 1952
Listers,	Everett F. Spear,	Term expires 1953
	Berthold C. Coburn,	Term expires 1954
	I. S. Rushworth,	Term expires 1952
School Directors,	Mrs. Inez Rowell,	Term expires 1953
	Franklin D. Burbank,	Term expires 1954
	David C. Gilman,	Term expires 1952
Auditors,	Raymond R. Rogers,	Term expires 1953
	Mrs. Alberta G. Dacier,	Term expires 1954
1st. Constable,		Chauncey C. Liese
2nd. Constable,		John C. Rowell
	Frank W. Button,	Term expires 1952
Trustees of Public	Mrs. Allen Crouse,	Term expires 1953
Money,	Harry L. Hayward,	Term expires 1954
	M. S. Bicknell,	Term expires 1952
Trustees of Public	Mrs. Martha Ordway,	Term expires 1953
Library,	Esther E. Smith,	Term expires 1954
	Rachel Comstock,	Term expires 1955
	O. Fay Allen, Jr,.	Term expires 1956
Superintendent of Schools,		A. C. Parker
Clerk of School Board,		I. S. Rushworth
Town Grand Jurors,	O. Fay Allen, Jr.,	William Roberts
Town Agent,		O. Fay Allen, Jr.
Surveyor of Wood and Lumber.		William A. Reed
Fence Viewers,	George P. Bradshaw,	Sabin T. Densmore
Weigher of Coal,		Henry F. Gate
	Percy J. Heath,	Term expires 1952
	Esther E. Smith,	Term expires 1953
Cemetery Commissioners,	E. Harold Colby,	Term expires 1954
	Stanley C. Wilson,	Term expires 1955
	Edward B. Hatch,	Term expires 1956

TOWN OF CHELSEA, VT.
1951

Population 1,024, Area 23,818 acres, Altitude 840 feet. Miles of highways 88.135, of which 10 miles is State Highway.

Real and Personal Grand List	$ 6,239.29
Polls, 468	468.00
Total Grand List	$ 6,707.29

Comparative Statements

Year	Grand List	Tax Rate
1947	$6,313.01	$4.77
1948	6,553.94	5.77
1949	6,560.03	6.00
1950	6,267.35	6.00
1951	6,707.29	6.50

Total Tax Raised
(School and Old Age Included)

1947	$31,304.28
1948	39,008.00
1949	40,557.67
1950	38,789.11
1951	44,767.97

TOWN ACCOUNT
Assets
(Real Estate and Personal Property not included)

Cash on hand, Jan. 1, 1952:	
General Town Acct.	$ 2,771.17
State Aid Acct.	158.17
Selected Highway	774.45
Unselected Highway	1,059.31
	$ 4,763.10
Uncollected taxes	4,743.74
U. S. War Bonds	45.00
Demand note secured by mortgage on Edward Paul's real estate	1,154.66
	$ 10,706.50

Liabilities

On notes at bank—Selectmen	$ 18,000.00
On notes at bank—Grader note	10,646.35

Outstanding orders		3,366.57
		$ 32,012.92
Excess of Liabilities over Assets		$ 21,306.42

INVENTORY OF TOWN PROPERTY

(Real Estate listed as per listers' appraisal)

Real Estate—		
Laird farm	$ 1,000.00	
Garage	1,475.00	
Town Forest	50.00	
Town hall	10,000.00	
Town barn	300.00	
Blake house	450.00	
		$ 13,275.00
Dental equipment	$ 900.00	
Office equipment	200.00	
Town hall equipment	500.00	
Chains, tools, etc.	150.00	
Tractor and plow	7,000.00	
Indian pack pumps	25.00	
Barco drill and drills	100.00	
Motor grader, plows and equip.	16,000.00	
		24,875.00
Material and supplies on hand—		
Wood at Town hall	$ 10.00	
Oils, grease and fuel oil	217.00	
Wire rope	10.00	
Grader blades	52.00	
		289.00
Total		$ 38,439.00

Inventory of School Property

School building in District No. 1	$ 1,000.00	
School building in District No. 2	4,000.00	
School building in Distric tNo. 5	1,000.00	
School building in District No. 9	1,000.00	
School building in District No. 10	500.00	
School building in District No. 8	500.00	
Gymnasium	29,000.00	
Agricultural building	7,750.00	
		$ 44,750.00
Equipment, furniture, etc.		500.00
Books and supplies		500.00

Lumber on hand		500.00
Total		$ 46,250.00

TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT

General Account

Receipts

Balance on hand Jan .1, 1951		$ 2,503.32
From C. C. Liese, Collector—		
On 1951 list	$ 17,068.02	
Delinquent taxes	3,234.27	
		20,302.29
From State Treasurer—		
Unselected Highway	$ 8,445.00	
Winter Roads	1,801.75	
State Aid Construction	931.99	
Resurfacing Fund	322.00	
Selected Highway (½c gas tax)	3,253.90	
		14,754.64
Money borrowed		31,000.00
Sale of dog licenses, less fees		417.25
Refund on Overseer's acct.		363.77
Liquor license		25.00
Rent of lease land		104.82
Rent of town hall		563.50
Sale of town truck		100.00
Sale of old road machine		75.00
Sales of lumber, oil drums, scrap metal, cement, etc.		141.00
State Aid on Croft fire		45.30
Town of Washington, plowing snow		362.20
School, damage on chairs		3.20
Use of bulldozer		937.71
Use of Barco hammer		4.50
B. C. Coburn, hauling dirt		19.50
Refund for revolving medical fund		3.00
Hilas Roberts Fund, repairs on town hall		2.00
Cash rec'd. for bad check of Hudson's		15.00
Hilas Roberts, Trust Fund		35.00
Refunds on labor, insurance, tel., etc.		35.32
Use of Grader		445.37
Interest on Bond, sale of cannon		1.44
Board of Trade Fund, interest on bonds		5.00
Town's share of resurfacing on No. 2		

State Aid Highway		161.00
Sale of culverts		757.16
L. B. Bowen, hauling gravel		8.00
Total receipts		$ 73,191.29

Disbursements

Paid Selectmens' orders—		
General Account	$ 46,530.20	
State Aid	1,338.92	
Unselected Highway; road	4,928.40	
Dupras Bridge	2,538.27	
Selected Highways	2,480.50	
Snow Roads	2,780.69	
Revolving Medical Fund	111.20	
		$ 60,708.18
Paid Road Commissioner's orders		4,319.89
Paid Overseer's orders		3,290.12
Paid protested check rec'd.		15.00
Paid bank orders for interest		95.00
Total Disbursements		$ 68,428.19
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1952		$ 4,763.10

Accounts Receivable

Warren Hook, bulldozing	$ 15.00
Harry O'Donnell, bulldozing	6.00
Harry O'Donnell, cement	6.40
M. Whitney, bulldozing	15.00
Alice Allen, bulldozing	9.00
Charles Button, bulldozing	15.00
George A. Dacier, Jr., grease	5.50
	$ 71.90

Outstanding Orders

General Account—	
Dec. 17, 1951	
No. 936—Interstate Equip. & Sup. Co.	$ 98.81
No. 937—Union Steel Co.	377.74
No. 939—Central Vt. Public Ser. Corp.	20.77
Dec. 29, 1951	
No. 952—N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	8.00
No. 953—Wilson & Keyser	55.95
No. 954—Interstate Equip. & Sup. Co.	13.23
No. 955—Ernest Luce	3.15
No. 956—C. C. Liese, Tax Collector	91.00

No. 957—Edward G. Paul		30.00
No. 959—Angier Edwards		25.00
No. 960—L. T. Welch		75.00
Dec. 30, 1951		
No. 966—John Rowell		10.00
No. 967—Geo. A. Dacier, Jr.		50.00
Dec. 31, 1951		
No. 974—F. Ray Keyser		6.00
Jan. 17, 1952		
No. 984—Town Treas. of Chelsea		161.00
	$	1,025.65
General Highway—		
Dec. 31, 1951		
No. 266—Frank Austin	$	2.00
No. 267—Collector of Internal Revenue		.70
	$	2.70
Unselected Highway—		
Dec. 31, 1951		
No. 53—Col. of Internal Revenue	$	5.70
No. 54—Comm. of Taxes		.68
No 55—Town Treas., culverts		1,185.78
	$	1,192.16
Selected Highway—		
Dec. 31, 1951		
No. 136—Col. of Internal Revenue	$	4.30
No. 137—Comm. of Taxes		.52
No. 138—Town Treas., culverts		757.16
	$	761.98
State Aid—		
Dec. 31, 1951		
No. 517—Treas., Town of Tunbridge	$	8.10
Snow Roads—		
Dec. 22, 1951		
No. 144—Jack Kennedy	$	40.00
Dec. 29, 1951		
No. 151—Clarence Kennedy		1.80
No. 152—Col. of Internal Revenue		28.50
No. 153—Comm. of Taxes		2.77
Dec. 30, 1951		

No. 154—Treas., Town of Tunbridge		26.90
	$	99.97
Overseer's Account—		
Dec. 21, 1951		
No. 789—Social Welfare Dept.	$	119.87
Dec. 29, 1951		
No. 790—Barre City Hospital		156.14
	$	276.01

SELECTMENS' REPORT—1951

It will be noted that the town's indebtedness by notes payable to the Orange County Branch Bank has increased by $5,000.00 in the past year, in addition to the motor grader note. The tax of fifty cents which was raised to apply towards the purchase of new road equipment, and amounting to $3,353.65, was applied towards the grader note, leaving a balance of $10,646.35. The old tractor was traded in on the new grader with an allowance of $1,000.00 . We have had additional expenses in 1951 on the newer tractor, of which $1,150.-00 was incurred in 1950, and left unpaid, and approximately $700.00 paid for radiator and crankcase guards and hydraulic pumps. There are $453.00 worth of new chairs in the Town Hall, about $1,000.00 for spare wheel, tire and tube, and chains for the grader, $305.00 for the State Audit, $300.00 in road account overdrafts, $350.00 in extra appropriations, and a loss of $300.00 on tax discounts. We recommend for the year 1952 a town tax of not less than that of 1951, with the continuance of the fifty cents tax to apply towards the grader note. We further recommend that the Town Highway tax be increased to $1.00.

The selectmen would also like to call to the attention of the taxpayers the fine work done in the Town Hall by the Chelsea Hometowners, in cleaning, painting and varnishing the stage and dressing rooms, also the 125 chairs given by them to the Hall, installed in the balcony. All this work has been completed by the volunteer work of the Hometowners, and at their expense.

Respectfully,
D. H. GILMAN,
ANGIER EDWARDS,
WALTER L. KENNEDY, Selectmen

SELECTMAN'S ACCOUNT

Summary of Orders Drawn

Town Officers	$ 1,487.93
Town Hall	1,533.44
Miscellaneous	2,038.94
Tractors	3,125.76
Snow Plows	203.97
Paul Family	171.87
Bridges	208.51
Loans Paid	15,353.65
Interest Paid	474.20
Streets and bridge lighting	508.00
Commons	102.80
Appropriation	1,050.00
Taxes Assessed	2,372.78
Insurance	245.97
Grader	16,125.41
Roads	2,020.57
Elections	8.00
Share of State Aid Resurfacing	161.00
	$ 47,192.80

Town Officers

C. C. Liese, Tax Collector and attending tax meeting	$ 411.65
David Gilman, auditing, 1950	48.00
Raymond Rogers, Auditing, 1950	42.00
Mrs. G. A. Dacier, Auditing 1950	48.00
Esther Smith, services at Town Meeting	4.00
Esther Smith, Treas. and postage, etc.	136.71
O. Fay Allen, Town Officers' Bonds	59.50
B. C. Coburn, attending Tax Meeting in Burlington	28.70
B. C. Coburn, lister	64.00
Overseer's Acct., repayment by services of B. C. Coburn as lister	60.00
Everett F. Spear, lister	75.20
George Bradshaw, lister	71.60
Alan's, adding machine	153.00
H. F. Gates, use of adding machine	5.00
W. L. Kennedy, use of car	44.10
W. L. Kennedy, Chairman Selectmen and postage	111.47
D. H. Gilman, Selectman	25.00

Angier Edwards, Selectman	25.00
L. T. Welch, acting overseer	75.00
	$ 1,487.93

Town Hall

A. C. Coburn, care of hall	$ 741.05
A. F. Sanborn, supplies	7.10
Naef Hardware Co., supplies	31.11
C. V. P. S. Corp., lights	90.97
W. S. Gilman, sawing and hauling wood	39.00
David Blakeney, wood	44.00
Robbins and Robbins, supplies	4.85
Fred Dickinson, supplies	18.35
Harold Hayward, hauling wood	3.00
G. K. Cushman, hauling trash	5.25
Chelsea Job Press, supplies	19.76
A. O. Blanchard, wood	10.00
Henry S. Wolkins Co., 100 chairs	453.00
Guy H. Ladd, freight on chairs	3.00
F. Ray Keyser, water rent	12.00
G. K. Cushman, hauling 3 cds. wood	6.00
Q. P. Mfg. Co., 7 cds. wood	35.00
Dwight McCullough, hauling wood	5.00
George A. Dacier, one load softwood slabs	5.00
	$ 1,533.44

Miscellaneous

O. Fay Allen, legal services	$ 4.00
Wilson & Keyser, legal services	55.95
Ernest H. Kennedy, tax abatement notice	2.40
Mrs. C. C. Liese, Civil Defense Meeting Adv.	1.05
N. E. T. & T. Co., phone service and tolls	97.25
Tuttle Stationery Co., record books and supplies	93.95
Chelsea Job Press, printing Town Reports, etc.	205.95
C. V. P. S. Corp., town garage lights	21.00
Robbins & Robbins, rake	1.00
C. C. Liese, coll., taxes abated	91.00
O. E. Burgess, postage	2.25
Highland Cemetery Comm., error in deposit by clerk	1.44
D. H. Gilman, trip to Concord to inspect grader	5.00
Angier Edwards, trip to Concord to inspect	

grader	5.00
Dwight McCullough, trip to Concord to inspect grader	5.00
W. L. Kennedy, trip to Concord to inspect grader and mileage	18.20
Chelsea Job Press, supplies	48.55
Wheeler & Clark, 200 dog tags	10.21
Naef Hardware Co., supplies	13.44
State of Vt., auditing services	305.92
Dwight McCullough, bulldozing, trip with scrap iron	70.39
Edward Paul, labor, materials	11.20
J. F. O'Shea, 12 tons chloride del'd. to S. Royalton	409.08
Ernest Royce, work on chloride, etc.	16.85
Everett Eastman, work on chloride	5.60
Orlando Braman, work on chloride	5.60
O. E. Burgess, work on chloride	15.60
Dwight McCullough, work on chloride	19.60
John Pagac, repairing town clock	20.00
F. D. Burbank, 2 sheep killed by dogs	50.00
W. L. Kennedy, Gdn., labor by E. Paul	2.00
B. C. Coburn, postage	.60
Oscar Butman, used mower, sharpening two mowers	14.00
Burlington Free Press, adv. town property for sale	24.78
Ernest H. Kennedy, adv.	12.75
Mrs. C. C. Liese, adv.	2.25
D. M. Ladd, freight on Ovitt Stone	1.00
Celente & Bianchi, marker for George Ovitt grave	30.87
L. V. Stevens, care of town clock, 8 mos.	32.00
E. E. Smith, figuring tax bills	25.00
A. C. Coburn, labor on town barn	16.80
Reynolds & Son, Inc., cutters, etc.	17.18
Casellini-Venable Corp., Barco Hammer parts	17.54
Kenneth L. Colby, hauling plank	9.00
Vt. Explosives Co., Inc., dynamite	27.50
Kennedy's Garage, Barco Hammer repairs	21.95
W. L. Kennedy, use of car and time	10.00
Trow and Holden, sharpening bits	14.40
E. H. Colby, supplies	23.13
Eaton, Eaton & Co., cement	26.40

W. E. Underhill, labor in old cemetery	2.50
W. R. Valley Herald, no bicycle riding adv.	1.50
L. D. Roberts, cash paid for Barco Hammer parts	7.25
Capital City Press, binders	4.17
Lloyd Hill, labor on town garage	10.00
Charles McCullough, labor on town garage	2.70
Alan McCullough, labor on town garage	2.70
H. N. Sanborn & Son, supplies	2.07
Mrs. G. A. Dacier, sending tax notices and postage	4.42
John Rowell, moving bulldozer once	10.00
George A. Dacier, moving bulldozer 5 times	50.00
Total	$ 2,038.94

Tractors

Shell Oil Co., fuel	$ 184.05
Northeastern Petroleum Co., oil and grease	364.35
Naef Hardware Co., supplies	8.30
Messier Body Shop	30.84
H. F. Gates, gas	12.62
Dwight McCullough, labor	119.71
Kennedy's Garage, labor and supplies	83.32
E. H. Colby, supplies	8.94
Snow Roads Acct., error, repairing generator	19.15
G. K. Cushman, hauling oil from Randolph	5.00
Casellini-Venable Copr., parts	725.78
Casellini-Venable Corp., tractor repairs incurred in 1950, less adjustments	1,150.54
Socony-Vacuum Oil Co., grease	36.50
Bailey Bros., battery	12.95
F. A. Slayton, fuel	142.38
Panther Oil & Grease Mfg. Co., upperlube	40.61
Reynolds & Son, Inc., supplies	4.82
Dessureau's Repair Shop, repairing hydraulic pump	28.40
Int'l Equip. and Sup. Co., repairs	86.10
H. N. Sanborn & Son, battery	17.10
Miscellaneous labor	44.30
	$ 3,125.76

Snow Plow

Jack Kennedy, labor	$ 8.13
Dwight McCullough, labor	53.75

Cities Service Station, supplies		.54
A. F. Sanborn, supplies		1.29
Messier Body Shop, repairs		76.93
Alfred Boardman, labor		12.70
Casellini-Venable Corp., parts		23.97
Merle Colby, labor		3.00
Reynolds & Son, Inc., cable		13.99
Dwight McCullough, pump bearing		3.15
Naef Hardware Co., supplies		.52
Int. Eq. & Sup. Co., wing brace		6.00
	$	203.97

Paul Family

Robbins & Robbins, groceries	$	171.87
	$	171.87

Bridges

George H. Hayward, hauling plank	$	14.00
Dwight McCullough, labor, use of truck		13.50
E. H. Colby, supplies		8.57
Eddie Cahill, labor		8.55
Edward Paul, labor, bridge stringers		35.10
Allen Dupras, labor		18.00
Robert Lemery, labor		3.60
A. C. Coburn, labor		12.55
Ernest Royce, labor		3.60
Alan McCullough, labor		1.80
Jack Kennedy, use of wrecker		2.50
H. G. Lyford, labor		4.95
Angier Edwards, labor		17.00
Naef Hardware Co., supplies		1.40
D. H. Gilman, labor		46.80
Chelsea School Board, lumber		13.44
Ernest E. Luce, labor		3.15
	$	208.51

Notes and Interest

O. C. Branch Bank, interest paid	$	474.20
O. C. Branch Bank, loans paid		12,000.00
O. C. Branch Bank, apply on grader note		3,353.65
	$	15,827.85

Streets and Lighting

C. V. P. S. Corp., lights	$	375.00
Charles McCullough, labor on village drain		5.60
Maurice McCullough, labor on village drain		5.60
Alan McCullough, labor on village drain		3.20
Dwight McCullough, labor on village drain		2.00
Ernest Royce, labor on village drain		6.00
Edward Paul, labor on village drain		1.20
A. C. Coburn, labor on village drain		90.80
Orlando Braman, labor on village drain		1.60
O. E. Burgess, man and truck, labor on village drain		2.30
W. E. Underhill, labor on Highland Cemetery approach		7.65
E. H. Colby, supplies		7.05
	$	508.00

Commons

O. E. Burgess, labor and use of truck	$	102.80

Appropriations

Martha T. Ordway, Treas., Library	$	500.00
W. A. Reed, Memorial Day		100.00
Esther Smith, Treas., Cemetery Comm.		200.00
Chelsea Fire District		250.00
	$	1,050.00

Taxes Assessed

C. C. Liese, Col., Town Fire Dist. Tax	$	10.91
H. N. Mattison, County Treas., County Tax		125.09
C. C. Liese, Col., property tax, net		221.36
State Treas., Highway tax		756.01
State Treas., Old Age Assistance Tax		1,053.00
Vt. Agriculture Ext. Service		206.41
	$	2,372.78

Insurance

O. Fay Allen, tractors and equipment	$	61.44
O. Fay Allen, buildings		56.47
Farm Bureau Auto Ins. Co., grader		65.66
F. Ray Keyser, town hall		41.60
M. Gordon Colby, town hall		20.80
	$	245.97

Primary and Elections Expense

Jack Kennedy, justice and ballot clerk	$	4.00
P. J. Heath, justice and ballot clerk		4.00
	$	8.00

Roads

N. E. Metal Culvert., culverts	$	1,956.27
Blacktop, Inc., cold patch		54.30
D. H. Gilman, attending road meeting		5.00
Dwight McCullough, attending road meeting		5.00
Town Treas.,Town's part of resurfacing No. 2		161.00
	$	2,181.57

Motor Grader

Interstate Equip. and Supplies Co., grader	$	14,266.72
Dwight McCullough, labor		58.50
Int. Eq. & Sup. Co., blades, wheel, parts		320.93
Reynolds & Son, Inc., pump and hose		23.86
F. A. Slayton, oil		10.90
H. F. Gates, gas		248.04
E. Ritchie's Garage, filters		3.50
E. H. Colby, supplies		82.20
Panther Oil and Grease Mfg. Co., upperlube		40.62
Kennedy's Garage, Prestone, labor, etc., welding		39.50
Shell Oil Co., oil		89.38
Guy H. Ladd, freight on chain		1.25
Ernest Royce, labor		15.30
Dwight McCullough, Jr., labor		18.90
Charles McCullough, labor		8.10
Alan McCullough, labor		4.50
Maurice McCullough, labor		9.90
H. N. Sanborn & Son, tire, tube, etc.		503.01
H. F. Gates, cash paid for freight on grader blades		2.56
Union Steel Co., chain		377.74
	$	16,125.41

Revolving Medical Fund

W. T. Elliott, M. D.	$	111.20

Repayment has been arranged for with the following exception:

John Reed	$	9.00

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Our town highway system comprises 92.90 miles of roads divided as follows: 8.0 miles "state aid" highway. 10.75 miles "state" highway and 74.15 miles "town" highway.

The state highway consists of the highway from Tunbridge Town line to the Washington Town line and from the junction at the Bank Block to the Vershire line. The State Aid Highways are the roads from Densmore's corner to the Brookfield Town line above Irving Hood's and from the junction near James Kennedy's to the Arthur Bacon place and from the Strafford bridge to the Tunbridge Town line on the Strafford road. The balance are Town Highways.

General Highway Account

Dwight McCullough, Road Commissioner

Money Available

Town Tax of $.60	$	4,024.37
Total Orders Drawn		4,321.19
Overdraft	$	296.82
Juluis Whitehurst, labor	$	1.60
Roger Gilman, labor with tractor		34.50
Kenneth O'Donnell, labor and with team		74.24
Clifford Ryder, labor with tractor		23.00
W. Sidney Gilman, labor with tractor		12.65
Athol Coburn, labor and with team		51.60
Everett LaFrancis, labor		72.00
H. G. Lyford, labor and with tractor		120.50
D. L. Blakeney, labor		6.00
Frank Gates, labor with team		12.00
Clyde Hook, labor		56.40
Charles McCullough, labor		74.90
Allan McCullough, labor		68.90
Ernest Austin, labor and with tractor		16.30
Arthur Bearor, labor		4.50
Elmer C. Woodworth, labor and with tractor		52.50
Glen Button, labor with tractor		34.50
Nelson Dukett, labor with team		14.40
Harry O'Donnell, labor		17.20
Ernest Luce, labor with team		33.60
Alton Felch, labor with tractor		92.00
Walter Druge, honing and parts for hone		63.14
Lionel Roberts, labor with tractor and team		31.60

Dwight McCullough, labor and with truck	882.24
Dwight McCullough, use of truck	152.50
S. T. Densmore, Jr., honing and labor	46.97
Ernest Royce, labor	442.10
Orlando Braman, labor	97.60
Maurice McCullough, labor	143.50
Bill Holmes, labor	28.80
Exerett Eastman, labor	119.92
Mike Kennedy, labor with truck	274.20
George Hayward, labor and with truck	257.25
Elwin Kendall, labor	47.40
O. E. Burgess, labor and with truck	319.20
O. E. Burgess, use of truck	6.00
Dwight McCullough, Jr., labor	5.40
Henry Gates, gasoline for grader	224.70
O. Fay Allen, renewal of bond	5.00
F. A. Slayton, 10 gal. oil	10.70
E. H. Colby, gasoline and tools	47.69
Amos Giles, 900 yds. gravel @ .10	90.00
Bernard Brown, loading 800 yds. gravel	80.00
Frank Austin, 20 yds. sand	2.00
Carle & Seaver, grader tire repair	6.75
Herman Lafley, labor	1.50
Col. of Int. Revenue, withholding taxes	19.90
C. C. Liese, tax collector, taxes for:	
Everett Eastman	23.28
Kenneth O'Donnell	18.56
Total	$ 4,321.19

Unselected Highways

Receipts

Balance Jan. 1, 1951	$ 27.18
State Treasurer	8,445.00
Use of Bulldozer—	
Town of Washington	16.20
Elsa Citroen	6.00
Kenneth Colby	3.00
B. C. Coburn, hauling dirt	8.00
L. B. Bowen, hauling gravel	19.50
Total Receipts	$ 8,524.88

Orders Drawn

Road Work	$ 6,119.46

Dupras Bridge	2,538.27	
		8,657.73

Overdraft	$	132.85
Due from Wallace Braman	$	39.71
Due from Bay State Ice Cream Co.		56.10
	$	95.81

Unselected Highways

Dwight McCullough, labor and use of truck	$	724.58
O. E. Burgess, labor and use of truck		523.65
Ernest Royce, labor		323.60
Orlando Braman, labor		8.10
Maurice McCullough, labor		147.37
George Hayward, labor and use of truck		259.80
Elwin Kendall, labor		34.65
Roger Gilman, self and tractor		11.50
Alan McCullough, labor		76.19
David McLeod, labor		15.30
Don Orr, men and trucks		364.65
Delbert Bradbury, self and truck		177.75
Ernest Ward, self and truck		193.05
John Hayward, self and truck		90.75
Arthur Beede, man and truck		161.70
Mike Kennedy, self and truck		193.05
Willard Martin, man and truck, man and shovel		526.05
Dwight McCullough, Jr., labor		2.70
Col. Int. Revenue, Federal taxes withheld		25.00
Comm. of Taxes, State taxes withheld		2.94
Ed. Lafley, welding culverts		2.00
Stanley Hook, labor		10.80
Amos Giles, gravel		338.20
Charles McCullough, labor		3.60
Town Treas., use of grader and tractor		716.70
Town Treas., culverts		1,185.78
	$	6,119.46

Dupras Bridge

Dean Gilman, labor	$	156.45
Dean Gilman, cash paid for supplies		4.22
Angier Edwards, labor and use of pump		54.95
O. E. Burgess, labor, man and truck		183.25
Ernest Royce, labor		115.03

Maurice McCullough, labor	56.90
Dwight McCullough, labor and use of truck	279.98
Eaton, Eaton & Co., cement	93.60
Merrill Whitney, labor, use of mixer	31.20
Alan McCullough, labor	33.22
A. E. McCullough, man and tractor	16.10
New England Metal Culvert Co., multiplate arch	931.00
W. I. Brooks, cement gravel, delivered	43.00
Jack Kennedy, use of hoist	61.25
H. F. Gates, gas for hoist	7.54
Don Orr, men and trucks	105.30
Ernest Ward, man and truck	44.55
Mike Kennedy, man and truck	44.55
Delbert Bradbury, self and truck	20.25
Willard Martin, use of truck and shovel	75.45
Robert Lemery, labor	21.60
Arthur Beede, man and truck	14.85
Town Treasurer, use of bulldozer	111.63
Amos Giles, gravel	16.00
Robbins & Robbins, supplies	3.30
Col. of Int. Revenue, Federal taxes withheld	11.60
Comm. of Taxes, State taxes withheld	1.50
	$ 2,538.27

Snow Roads

Receipts

Refund from General Acct. on order No. 102	$ 19.15
Town of Washington	346.00
State Treas., winter maintenance	1,801.75
	$ 2,166.90
Orders Drawn	2,744.55
Overdraft Dec. 31, 1951	$ 577.65

Orders Drawn

Town Treas., Tunbridge	$ 26.90
Victor Forrester, labor, plowing and sanding	29.60
Lawrence Kennedy, labor, plowing and sanding	4.04
Clarence Kennedy, labor, plowing and sanding	79.17
Mike Kennedy, self and truck, plowing, sanding, hauling salt	313.79
Jack Kennedy, plowing	94.38
Dwight McCullough, plowing	810.74

Willard Hatch, plowing and sanding	190.00
Charles McCullough, plowing and sanding	69.31
Sidney Gilman, sanding, self and truck	69.20
Maurice McCullough, sanding and plowing	29.95
Bill Holmes, sanding	55.20
Alan McCullough, sanding	103.90
William Roberts, plowing	1.40
Kenneth O'Donnell, plowing and sanding	46.16
C. C. Liese, Col., for Kenneth O'Donnell, plowing	3.84
G. H. Hayward, self and truck, sanding, hauling sand	123.05
Alfred Boardman, plowing and sanding	160.75
A. C. Coburn, sanding	33.55
Merle Colby, plowing	129.50
Julius Whitehurst, plowing	17.60
Amos Giles, sand	11.40
Harold Hayward, Jr., sanding, self and truck	7.80
M. L. Hayward, repairing generator	19.15
Stanley Hook, plowing	9.80
Ernest Royce, labor on snowfence, sanding	36.50
Everett Eastman, labor on snowfence	3.80
Town Treas., for Everett Eastman, use of d-6, labor fence	3.00
International Salt Co., 7 tons salt PP to S. Royalton	144.66
Dwight McCullough, Jr., labor on snowfence, plowing	51.64
John Hayward, self and truck, snowfence	6.60
Frank Austin, sand	26.90
Col. Int. Revenue, Federal taxes withheld	28.50
Comm. of Taxes, State taxes withheld	2.77
	$ 2,744.55

State Aid Highway

Receipts

Balance Jan. 1, 1951	$ 82.10
State Treasurer, No. 1	931.99
State Treas., resurfacing No. 2	322.00
Town of Chelsea, share of No. 2	161.00
	$ 1,497.09
Orders Drawn	1,347.02
Balance Dec. 31, 1951	$ 150.07

Orders Drawn

Charles McCullough, labor	$	18.90
Alan McCullough, labor		55.80
Dwight McCullough, labor and use of truck		154.42
O. E. Burgess, labor and use of truck		78.75
Maurice McCullough, labor		31.50
Ernest Royce, labor		46.80
Jack Kennedy, labor		6.25
Don Orr, men and truck		140.40
Delbert Bradbury, self and truck		63.00
Ernest Ward, self and truck		42.90
John Hayward, self and truck		128.65
George Hayward, self and truck		59.40
Arthur Beede, man and truck		59.40
Mike Kennedy, self and truck		56.10
Willard Martin, man and truck, man and shovel		138.90
C. C. Liese, Col., for John Hayward, man and truck		9.90
Dwight McCullough, Jr., labor		2.70
Stanley Hook, labor		4.50
Amos Giles, gravel		102.40
Frank Austin, gravel		16.50
Town Treas., use of tractor and grader		121.75
Town Treas., Tunbridge, use of shovel		8.10
	$	1,347.02

Selected Highway

Receipts

Balance Jan. 1, 1951	$	1.05
State Treas. (½ cent gas tax)		3,253.90
	$	3,254.95
Orders Drawn		3,242.48
Balance Dec. 31, 1951	$	12.47

Orders Drawn

Dwight McCullough, labor and use of truck	$	350.20
O. E. Burgess labor and use of truck		93.40
Ernest Royce, labor		134.37
Maurice McCullough, labor		56.35
Stanley Hook, labor		8.10
Alan McCullough, labor		17.93
Charles McCullough, labor		1.80
Arthur Beede, man and truck		153.45

Willard Martin, truck and shovel with operators	399.90
Delbert Bradbury, self and truck	172.75
Col. of Int. Revenue., Federal taxes withheld	21.80
Comm. of Taxes, State Taxes withheld	3.31
Don Orr, men and trucks	150.15
Ernest Ward, self and truck	125.40
George Hayward, self and truck	140.26
Mike Kennedy, self and truck	127.05
Amos Giles, gravel	227.80
John Hayward, self and truck	3.30
Town Treas., culverts, use of tractor and grader	1,055.16
	$ 3,242.48

OVERSEER'S REPORT

Orders Drawn

Vt. State Dept. of Social Welfare for dependent children	$ 428.27
Child care	652.52
Beede children	420.82
Nora Braman	457.87
Dupont children	58.58
Edward Paul	199.96
Mabel Cleaves	110.50
Wallace Habel	12.50
David Blakeney	205.27
Bert Ashley	163.64
Harold Hayward, mileage	9.00
Mahlon Young	29.00
Joe Comoli	7.50
Dorothy Dukette	182.79
Guy Coburn	98.20
George Dunbar	19.50
Isabel DeCoursey	56.84
Ralph Merchant	40.00
Bertha Eastman	64.89
Total orders drawn	$ 3,217.65

LAWRENCE T. WELCH,
For the Selectmen

Refunds on Overseer's Accounts—		
State of Vt., ½ expense transient		
B. Weis	$	67.50
B. C. Coburn		34.40
Clyde Beede		90.00
Edward Paul		171.87
	$	363.77

ROBERT'S POOR FUND

Disbursements for 7 persons or families	$	512.21
Flour for Board members		40.00
Amount	$	552.21

D. H. GILMAN, Chairman

ROBERT'S POOR FUND — TREAS. REPORT

Receipts

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1951—		
In checking account	$	125.11
In savings account		38.45
	$	163.56
Interest on savings account		5.40
Received from Old Colony Trust Co.		480.00
	$	648.96

Disbursements

Paid orders draw by Board		552.21
	$	96.75
Balance on hand, Jan. 1, 1952—		
In checking account	$	87.90
In savings account		23.85
	$	111.75
To correct error in bank statement		15.00
	$	96.75

ESTHER E. SMITH, Treas.

REPORT OF CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

The following new funds have been added this year:

Myrtle Wishart, lot No. 95½	$	100.00
Myrtle Wishart, lot No. 95		50.00

Mrs. Ida Dearborn, lot No. 32½		50.00
Herbert Judd, lot No. 28		100.00
Guy E. Hood, lot No. 270		100.00
Charles H. Baraw, lot No. 295½		100.00
Mrs. Grace C. Nichols, lot No. 173		200.00
	$	700.00

Orders Drawn by Chairman

Edgar R. Downing, labor		$	211.99
Byron Downing Jr., labor			9.45
Robert Buick, labor			50.80
Robert Hilliker, labor			185.20
J. B. Hill, labor			133.25
P. J. Heath, labor			19.60
Charles McCullough, labor			45.00
Allen McCullough, labor			45.00
Lee Tucker, labor			49.05
O. E. Burgess, labor			30.15
David Blakeney, labor			7.20
L. D. Roberts, labor			4.00
Ralph Lyon, labor			7.00
A. C. Coburn, labor			16.00
W. S. Gilman, use of truck			3.00
Chelsea Job Press, printing			8.40
Joseph Messier, repairing lawn mower handle			2.25
Fred E. Dwinell, revising chart			30.00
A. F. Sanborn, glass for hearse house window			3.00
Esther Smith, services as			
Treas.	$ 20.00		
Cash paid for postage	4.50		
			24.50
E. H. Colby, services as Supt.	$ 35.00		
Cedar posts, wire fence, lawn mower, misc. supplies	90.20		
			125.20
		$	1,010.04

TREASURER'S CEMETERY REPORT

Receipts

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1951	$	105.49
Rec'd. from Hilas Roberts Cemetery Fund		20.00
Town appropriation		200.00
Rec'd. City Institution of savings, interest from Joel Ordway Fund		6.00

Rec'd. for use of tomb	5.00
Rec'd. interest on U. S. Bonds	515.37
Rec'd. from individuals for care of lots	257.00
Total	$ 1,108.86

Disbursements

Paid orders	$ 962.53
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1952	$ 146.33

Outstanding Orders:

Dec. 29, 1951

No. 751	L. B. Roberts	$ 4.00
No. 752	Esther E. Smith	24.50
No. 753	E. H. Colby	125.20

CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS

By the Auditors

Total funds Jan. 1, 1951	$ 21,324.92
Funds added per report and interest	722.06
Total funds Dec. 31, 1951	$ 22,046.98

These funds are invested as follows:

U. S. Savings Bonds, Series G	$ 20,900.00
Savings Acct. in Chelsea Bank	846.98
City Inst. for savings, Lowell, Mass.	300.00
	$ 22,046.98

REPORT OF COMMISSIONERS' OF HIGHLAND CEMETERY

The Commissioners of Highland Cemetery respectfully report that during 1951 they built a portion of the new fence needed at the cemetery. We should build another portion this year. Extra work on the cemetery roads will also be needed.

The labor cost for the care of lots increases faster than our income available for such care. Each year additional lots become subject to our care with no endowment funds provided for them and no contributing relatives left to pay for the care. We cannot use the income of trust funds except according to the terms of the trusts. The town is of course under the law bound to provide ordinary care for such lots as have no special care provided.

We feel we must ask this year for an appropriation

of three hundred dollars to be used for general purposes in Highland Cemetery.

PERCY J. HEATH,
ESTHER E. SMITH,
E. HAROLD COLBY,
STANLEY C. WILSON,
EDWARD B. HATCH,
Comm. of Highland Cemetery

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC MONEY FOR CHELSEA WEST HILL CEMETERY

Balance in Bank Jan. 1, 1951	$	22.78
Cash on hand		14.01
Rec'd. Interest on Gov't. Bonds		45.00
Rec'd. Interest on balance of Jan. 1, 1951		.30
Rec'd. of Mrs. A. G. Bradshaw, care of lot		2.00
	$	84.09
Paid Irving LaFrancis for mowing lots	$	35.00
Paid labor to self and man		6.00
Balance in Bank Jan. 1, 1952		33.08
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1952		10.01
	$	84.09
Due from Joe Horton on lot		5.00
Due from Everett Eastman on lot		10.00

HARRY L. HAYWARD,
For Trustees

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT OF THE HILAS E. ROBERTS CEMETERY FUND

Principal of Fund—$500.00

Balance in Savings Acct. Jan. 1, 1951	$	56.81
Rec'd. interest on same		.99
Rec'd interest on U. S. Bond No. 14340-27		12.50
	$	70.30
Disbursements for care of Roberts lot		20.00
Balance in Savings Acct. Jan. 1, 1952	$	50.30

TOWNSEND FUND FOR CARE OF STREET APPROACH TO HIGHLAND CEMETERY

Principal of Fund—$803.36

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1952	$	17.54

Interest		20.00
	$	37.54
Paid for labor		34.80
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1952	$	16.65

ADA HALL JACKSON FUND FOR THE CARE OF TREES ON HIGHLAND AVENUE

Principal of Fund—$500.00

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1951	$	21.89
Interest rec'd on savings		.26
Interest rec'd. on bonds		12.50
	$	34.65
Paid for labor, trimming trees		18.00
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1952	$	16.65

REPORT OF CHELSEA AND ALDEN SPEAR MEMORIAL LIBRARY

The circulation for the past year has been 6,803, a gain of 403 over the preceding year.

106 books were added during the year. Of these 28 Adult and 37 Juvenile were purchased. 29 Adult and 12 Juvenile were received as gifts. This includes our gift from the Book Club and five books given in memory of the following: Mrs. Ida Hopkins 2; Mr. and Mrs. O. Fay Allen, Sr.; Mr. George Flint, and Mrs. Florence Densmore Allen.

The Free Public Library Commission has loaned us 405 books, 217 Adult and 188 Juvenile. These Juvenile books have been used in the rural and village schools to supplement our own supply.

Several magazines have been donated during the year.

Four students from the High School did practice work in filing at the library several afternoons last spring.

The library has been opened each Tuesday and Saturday afternoon except on holidays and Old Home Day from 2 P. M. to 5:30 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,
(Mrs.) INA J. STEVENS,
Librarian

REPORT OF LIBRARY TREASURER

Receipts

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1951	$	139.89
Town appropriation		500.00
Income from Robert's Fund		145.00
Income from Braley Fund		5.00
Income from Stow Fund		40.00
Rentals and fines		13.15
Discarded books		4.30
Total Receipts	$	847.34

Expenditures

Librarian and assistant	$	250.00
Books		89 17
Periodicals		51.40
Library supplies		40.40
Small filing cabinet		7.58
Rebinding books		4.50
P. O. Box, postage and stationery		7.69
Janitor service		93.00
Fuel		207.69
Oil-burner service		5.50
Five insurance premium on contents of Library		24.96
Miscellaneous		3.60
Total Expenditures	$	785.49
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1952		61.85

Respectfully submitted,
MARTHA T. ORDWAY,
Treasurer

TAXES ABATED

Roberta Bicknell (clerical error) Poll, 1951	$	9.00
Pauline Darling, Poll, 1951		9.00
Anna B. Ingalls, Poll, 1951		9.00
Robert Cahill, Poll, 1949		8.50
Guy Cutting, Poll, 1951		9.00
Esther Hayward, Poll 1949		8.50
Ethel LaFlam, Poll, 1950		8.50
Francis J. Malone, 2 Polls, 1949		17.00
Francis J. and Barbara Scott, 2 Polls, 1943		12.50
	$	91.00

REPORT OF DOGS LICENSED BY TOWN CLERK

183 dogs were licensed and after fees, were deducted $417.25 was turned over to Town Treasurer.

BOARD OF TRADE FUND FOR CARE OF COMMONS

Principal of Fund—$200.00

U. S. Gov't. Bond No. C 3099260 G and C 3099259 G

Inter. $5.00—paid General Town acct. toward care of commons.

VERMONT DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE

Montpelier, Vermont

This is our sixteenth annual report to the citizens of the Town of Chelsea, on State payments in your municipality of various types of assistance and welfare during 1951.

The total number of recipients in the State has declined, but expenditures are larger by reason of increases in the legal monthly maximums authorized by the 1951 Legislature. Funds for the support of these programs were derived from the Federal Government 57.5%, State Government 37.6% and Town or City 4.9%. Total administrative expenses for the four types of Public Assistance were 4.2% and for all programs and services 6.5%, giving Vermont top ranking in the nation for low cost. In Vermont one in six persons over sixty-five receive Old Age Assistance and one in fifty children under the age of eighteen receive Aid to Dependent Children.

None of the assistance programs are pensions. They are paid on the basis of need and in accordance with policies and procedures established under law. Children and parents, in proportion to their ability, have legal as well as moral obligations under the Statutes.

Old Age Assistance	$ 15,531.00
Aid to the Blind	1,570.00
Aid to Dependent Children	3,472.00
Adult Crippled Aid and Aid to the Totally and Permanently Disabled	92.00

Committed Children	2,812.53
Total	$ 23,477.53

W. ARTHUR SIMPSON,
Commissioner

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING SERVICE

Until July 1, 1951, the public health nurses of the Vermont Department of Health provided services in about 88 Vermont towns, each of which yearly contributed a sum toward the program's support.

This was the only health department program not statewide; more than 135 towns had no generalized state nursing service.

Beginning July 1, 1951, the area of each nurse was extended to include all towns. Town contributions are no longer required; state and federal tax funds are equitably distributed; services are generalized and include duties formerly undertaken by specialized tuberculosis nurses; increasing emphasis is placed on prevention of disease and finding situations needing correction; great stress is placed on citizen participation, through local health councils and others, in all phases of community health.

Your Health Department does not have money available to correct the physical needs of those in your town who cannot afford treatment. The department urges your serious consideration of a town appropriation for this purpose, suitable to your local needs, to be expended under the auspices of your local health authority or council.

RUBY C. CARR,
Public Health Nursing Supervisor,
Vermont Department of Health

The emphasis of the public health nursing program this year has so far been on the school health program. As your public health nurse I have made visits to the schools to consult with the teachers and to arrange for the physical examinations. This year the department of health has been financing the physical examinations and immunizations of the first and third grades throughout the state.

Results of the examinations showed:

46 children examined.

35 found to have no physical defects.
11 found to have defects needing to be watched or corrected.
31 in need of dental care.
18 vaccinated against smallpox.
31 immunized against diphtheria and tetanus.
5 home visits were made to explain and to encourage parents to have correction of defects of their children.

We are urging parents to have their children immunized against whooping cough, diphtheria, tetanus, and smallpox in order to protect them should a source of exposure appear in the younger population. Preschool examinations are planned to be held in the spring at which time immunizations will be offered to this age group.

On request of physicians communicable disease visits have been made and arrangements completed for persons to attend area chest clinics for chest x-rays.

Respectfully submitted,
JOYCE SEVERY, R. N.,
Public Health Nurse

BALANCE SHEET—Jan. 1, 1952
C. C. Liese, Tax Collector

Year	Uncollected Jan. 2, '51	Collected	Discount	Uncollected Jan. 1,'52
1943 Polls	$ 12.50	$ 12.50	$	$
1946 Prop.	47.18			47.18
1947 Prop.	67.75			67.75
1948 Prop.	373.26	297.36		75.90
1948 Polls	33.08	8.27		24.81
1949 Prop.	444.30	290.38		153.92
1949 Polls	123.50	64.00		59.50
1950 Prop.	2,881.91	2,230.26		651.65
1950 Polls	433.50	331.50		102.00
1951 Polls	4,212.00	3,691.50		520.50
1951 Prop.	40,555.97	37,187.40	328.04	3,040.53
Totals	$49,184.95	44,113.17	328.04	4,743.74

DELINQUENT TAXES
January 1, 1952

Ackerman Gertrude M.
1947 Property $ 1.20

1948 Property	1.46	
1949 Property	1.50	
1950 Property	1.50	
1951 Property	1.62	
	$	7.28
Austin, Irene M. and Ernest G.		
2—1951 Polls	18.00	
1951 Property	104.00	
1951 Property	39.00	
		161.00
Austin, Lewis and Thelma		
2—1951 Polls	18.00	
1951 Property	6.50	
		24.50
Bellefeuille, John A. and Shirley—1951 Prop.		91.40
Braman, Frank A. and Susie—2, 1951 Polls		18.00
Brown, Jeannie—1951 Polls		9.00
Brown, Harley G. and Dorothy—2, 1951 Polls		18.00
Bryant, Marion G.—1951 Property		16.50
Carey, Lawrence—1951 Poll		9.00
Citron, Elsa and Elsa M.—1951 Property		39.00
Clark, Earl E. and Glendora—2, 1951 Polls		18.00
Cloud, Ernest G. and Mabel K.		
2—1951 Polls	18.00	
1951 Property	239.53	
		257.53
Coburn, Ralph and Anna S.		
1950 Property	123.00	
1951 Property	130.00	
		253.00
Conn. Valley Constr. Co.—1949 Property		120.00
Dacier, Geo. A. Jr.—1951 Property		84.50
Dickerman, Harold E.		
1950 Property	19.50	
1951 Property	21.13	
		40.63
Downing, Edgar and Lillian		
2—1951 Polls	18.00	
1951 Property	1.96	
		19.96
Doyle, Leo and Betty		
2—1951 Polls	18.00	
1951 Property	129.03	
		147.03

Dukett, Rudolph—1951 Polls		9.00
Fletcher, Chas. B. Estate—1951 Property		10.38
Foster, Bessie T. S.—1951 Property		45.50
Gardner, John R. and Ruth		
2—1951 Polls	18.00	
1951 Property	13.00	
		31.00
Geo. Washington Lodge—1951 Property		273.00
Griffin, Geo. F. and Evelyn—1951 Property		58.50
Hale, Daniel T.		
1948 Property	25.97	
2—1948 Polls	16.54	
1949 Property	9.60	
2—1949 Polls	17.00	
2—1950 Polls	17.00	
2—1951 Polls	18.00	
		104.11
Hayward, John and Edith—1951 Property		8.40
Hill, Arthur E.—1951 Poll		9.00
Hill, Lloyd and Alice		
1950 Property	9.00	
2—1951 Polls	18.00	
1951 Property	9.75	
		36.75
Holmes, Hazel D.		
1950 Poll	8.50	
1950 Property	59.98	
1951 Poll	9.00	
1951 Property	97.50	
		174.98
Holmes, Robt. and Lottie		
2—1950 Polls	17.00	
1—1951 Poll	9.00	
		26.00
Hood, Irving A.		
1949 Poll	8.50	
1950 Poll	8.50	
1951 Poll	9.00	
1951 Property	21.13	
		47.13
Jones, Ethan		
1949 Poll	8.50	
1950 Poll	8.50	
		17.00

Kennedy, Glen and Mildred		
2—1951 Polls	18.00	
1951 Property	6.50	
		24.50
Kennedy, Richard and Florence		
1950 Property	11.00	
2—1951 Polls	18.00	
1951 Property	52.00	
		81.00
Kill, Harrison and Edith—1951 Property		19.50
Kucheusky, Peter		
1950 Property	33.00	
1951 Property	35.76	
		68.76
Ladd, Orville M.		
1949 Property	7.16	
1948 Property	14.43	
1948 Poll	8.27	
1949 Poll	8.50	
1950 Poll	8.50	
1951 Polls	9.00	
		55.86
LaFrancis, Everett G.—1951 Property		34.13
Libby, Paul D.		
1951 Poll	9.00	
1951 Property	169.97	
		178.97
Lyford, Herbert and Gertrude—1951 Prop.		155.35
Lyon, Ralph O.—1951 Property		34.39
Mahoney, Robt. D.		
1950 Property	30.00	
1951 Property	32.50	
		62.50
Magoon, Goldie—1951 Poll		9.00
Messier, Jos. and Edna M.		
2—1951 Polls	18.00	
1951 Property	81.25	
		99.25
Melvin, Winona Estate—1951 Property		100.00
Moulton, Raymond C. and Electa		
2—1951 Polls	18.00	
1951 Property	115.38	
		133.38

O'Donnell, Harry and Marion		
2—1951 Polls	18.00	
1951 Property	109.86	
		127.86
O'Donnell, Kenneth A.		
1950 Property	44.67	
1951 Poll	9.00	
1951 Property	87.43	
		141.10
Ordway, Mary D.—1950 Property		75.00
Paul, Edw. G. and Winfred		
1949 Property	22.82	
1950 Property	24.00	
1951 Property	39.00	
		85.82
Parker, Chas. E.—1950 Poll		7.50
Pratt, Elmer D. and Olive		
1950 Property	21.50	
2—1951 Polls	18.00	
1951 Property	104.00	
		143.50
Rathburn, Mary J. heirs—1951 Property		13.00
Ricker, Harold A. —1951 Poll		9.00
Sanborn, Clyde G.		
1950 Property	84.00	
1951 Poll	9.00	
1951 Property	46.00	
		139.00
Slack, Gerald—1951 Poll		9.00
Stevens, Eldred C. and Vivian		
1950 Property	55.50	
2—1951 Polls	18.00	
1951 Property	125.46	
		198.96
Taylor, William and Mildred		
2—1949 Polls	17.00	
2—1950 Polls	17.00	
		34.00
Thompson, Cecil and Eva—2, 1951 Polls		18.00
Thompson, Kenneth G.—1951 Prop.		87.76
Tucker, Pauline (Green)		
1950 Poll	8.50	
1951 Poll	9.00	
		17.50

Whitehurst, Julius and Evelyn		
2—1951 Polls	18.00	
1951 Property	60.46	
		78.46
Weis, Bernard and Norma—2, 1951 Polls		18.00
Whipple, Winifred and Mabel		
1946 Property	47.18	
1947 Property	59.39	
1948 Property	34.04	
1950 Poll	8.50	
1950 Property	60.00	
1951 Property	65.00	
		274.11
Young, Edith E.—1951 Property		24.50

SCHOOL DIRECTORS' REPORT

For School Year July 1, 1950 to June 30, 1951

Receipts

Cash on hand July 1, 1950	$ 285.79
Receipts as per Treas. report	53,383.58
Total Receipts	$ 53,669.37
Orders drawn	54,817.11
Overdraft	$ 1,147.74

Reconciliation of Balance

Outstanding orders	$ 497.11
Overdraft as per Treas. report	$ 650.63

COMPARATIVE DEBT STATEMENT

Year as of June 30:	
1947 net debt	$ 3,940.43
1948 net debt	4,071.13
1949 net debt	3,718.97
1950 net debt	9,714.21
1951 net debt	9,746.02

Summary of Expenditures

Teachers' Salaries	$ 20,479.06
State Teachers Retirement	1,402.25
Collector of Internal Revenue	1,772.50
Janitors	1,859.21
Superintendance	1,096.82
School Directors	202.87
Music	526.70

Transportation	3,562.68
Fuel	2,291.53
Repairs	1,462.80
Supplies	1,643.61
Books	932.68
Lights	530.44
Telephone	98.55
Insurance	570.97
Borrowed money paid back and int.	15,175.85
Labor	817.44
Miscellaneous	391.15
	$ 54,817.11

ITEMIZED EXPENSES
July 1, 1950 to June 30, 1951
Village School

Teachers salaries —		
Richard H. Marsh	$ 1,954.52	
J. Michael McGran	796.20	
Mrs. Frances Ladd	2,348.60	
Bruce A. Gaylord	2,870.46	
Arthur H. Scott	1,925.16	
Mrs. Katherine Whitney	165.00	
Elmer C. Roberts	1,529.48	
Mrs. Etta B. Giles	1,276.80	
Mrs. Mabel A. Ricker	1,336.78	
Mrs. Ruth Hartwell	632.80	
Mrs. Maxine Cummings	836.17	
		$ 15,671.97
Adult Farmer Class —		
Bruce A. Gaylord	$ 54.00	
Raymond R. Rogers	54.00	
		108.00
Arts and Crafts —		
Mrs. Katherine Corwin		90.00
Janitors —		
George Mathers	$ 10.00	
Norman C. Hill	320.25	
Clyde Lyon	1,458.96	
		1,789.21
Transportation —		
Dwight McCullough	$ 1,703.00	
Glen A. Button	98.10	
Robert Ainsworth	54.12	

Edgar Downing	47.90	
Arthur Magoon	5.20	
Alan Marshall	20.00	
Albion Jones	38.64	
Waldo Taylor	15.30	
J. Gordon Philbrick	31.92	
		2,014.18
Fuel —		
School (soft coal, wood, gas)	$ 1,262.89	
Agrl. Bldg. (nut coal)	112.48	
Gym. (oil)	664.43	
		2,039.80
Lights		463.05
Telephone		98.55
Total		$ 22,274.76

Meadow Brook School (No. 1)

Teacher, Mrs. Bessie Stender	$ 1,546.53
Transportation, Vernon N. Hook	815.00
Fuel (oil)	157.73
Lights	29.16
Total	$ 2,548.42

Barre Road School (No. 5)

Teacher, Mrs Eunice Burbank	$ 1,462.56
Janitor, William Melvin	35.00
Transportation, Dwight McCullough	733.50
Lights	18.00
Total	$ 2,249.06

West Hill School (No. 9)

Teacher, Mrs. Beatrice Coburn	$ 1,600.00
Janitor, Jane Sprague	35.00
Fuel (wood)	94.00
Lights	20.23
Total	$ 1,749.23

All Schools

(Items not listed elsewhere)

School Director	$ 202.87
Superintendent, A. C. Parker	1,096.82
St. Teachers Retirement System	1,402.25
Collector of Internal Revenue	1,772.50

Repairs	1,462.80
Supplies	1,643.61
Books	932.68
Insurance	570.97
Music	526.70
Repaid borrowed money and interest	15,175.85
Labor	817.44
Miscellaneous	391.15
Total	$ 25,995.64

Summary

Village School	$ 22,274.76
No. 1	2,548.42
No. 5	2,249.06
No. 9	1,749.23
All schools	25,995.64
	$ 54,817.11

SCHOOL TREASURER'S REPORT

July 1, 1950 to June 30, 1951

Receipts

Balance on hand July 1, 1950	$ 779.24
Town School tax	19,237.68
Veterans Training Program	309.95
Sale of books	27.90
Tuition	2,042.00
State Treas., State Aid for Education	14,081.62
State Treas., Vocational Education	1,255.42
State Treas., Arts and Crafts	45.00
Rent of gym	74.70
Roberts School Fund	990.00
Treas. of Arts and Crafts	45.00
Lease land rent	75.32
Refund, telephone call	2.39
Refund, spotlights	61.74
Refund, school papers	2.75
Sale of paper	125.95
Goods sold at auction	4.66
Money borrowed	15,000.00
Sale of old iron	1.50
Total Receipts	$ 54,162.82

Disbursements

Paid order outstanding, July 1, 1950		$ 493.45
Paid current orders		$ 54,320.00
Total orders paid		$ 54,813.45
Balance, June 30, 1951		$ 650.63

Outstanding Orders June 30, 1951

No. 477	Katherine Whitney	$ 30.00
No. 485	Albion Jones	13.68
No. 514	Vt. Assoc. of Teachers	2.25
No. 516	W. M. Welch Mfg. Co.	32.58
No. 517	Katherine Whitney	15.00
No. 519	State Teachers	403.60
		$ 497.11

ESTHER E. SMITH, Treas.

SCHOOL DIRECTORS' REPORT
July 1, 1951 to Jan. 1, 1952

Teachers —		
Regular teachers	$ 8,460.10	
Substitute teacher	16.00	
Music teachers	135.00	
Arts and Crafts	90.00	
		$ 8,701.10
Janitor		1,020.00
School Directors		38.00
Superintendent		606.30
State Teachers' Retirement		635.28
Commissioner of Taxes (State tax)		36.14
Collector of Internal Revenue		777.60
Transportation		1,479.99
Fuel		1,277.25
Repairs		563.01
Supplies		663.18
Books		407.22
Electricity		198.70
Telephone		53.35
Insurance		339.35
Money repaid and int. on same		10,031.67
Labor		111.69
Miscellaneous		67.46
Total orders drawn		$ 27,007.29

SCHOOL TREASURER'S REPORT
July 1, 1951 to Dec. 31, 1951
Receipts

Balance on hand July 1, 1951	$ 650.63
Town School Tax	22,134.06
State Treasurer, State Aid	13,826.49
State Treas., Vocational Education	24.75
Arts and Crafts	45.00
Refunds, Ins. $56.35; tel. $1.29	57.64
Tuition	44.00
Veterans Training Program	228.42
Gymnasium chair fund	336.50
Sale of old pipe, typewriter, etc.	34.95
Rentals, Gym $25.00; No. 8 $24.00	49.00
Total	$ 36,130.18

Disbursements

Total orders paid	26,865.97
Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1951	$ 9,264.21

Outstanding Orders Jan. 1, 1952

Dec. 11, 1951

No. 748	Master Products Co.	$ 2.65
No. 769	State Teachers Retirement	635.28
No. 770	Today's Secretary	.50
		$ 638.43

ESTHER E. SMITH, Treas.

SCHOOL ACCOUNT FINANCIAL STATEMENT
Jan. 1, 1952
Assets

Cash on hand	$ 9,264.21	
Less outstanding orders	638.43	
		$ 8,625.78

Liabilities

None

Excess of assets over liabilities $ 8,625.78

To the Voters:

For the school year ending June 30, 1951 our indebtedness increased by $31.81 and for the current year we are running in line with our budget, but due to higher costs of supplies, salaries, etc. we need a tax of $3.50 to meet expenses for the ensuing year. Our enrollment is less this year which means less state aid.

The only major repair job this past summer was painting the roof of the High School building. We plan no major repair jobs this coming year.

One hundred and four steel chairs have been purchased for the gymnasium, about 70% of the cost being contributed by organizations and individuals for which the school directors are grateful.

Since the audit $300.00 has been paid on the gym note leaving a balance of $30,200.00.

I. S. RUSHWORTH,
INEZ F. ROWELL,
FRANKLIN D. BURBANK,
School Directors

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR ENSUING YEAR

Teachers' salaries	$ 25,400.00
Janitors' salaries	2,170.00
School Directors	200.00
Superintendant	1,275.00
Transportation	3,600.00
Music	520.00
Fuel	2,500.00
Repairs	1,000.00
Supplies	1,600.00
Books	700.00
Electricity	650.00
Telephone	110.00
Insurance	550.00
Interest on money	100.00
Labor	400.00
Miscellaneous	125.00
	$ 40,900.00

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS

State Treas. — School Aid	$ 13,400.00
State Treas. — Vocational Education	1,200.00
Tuition	1,535.00
Roberts Fund	940.00
Rent of gym and Aggie building	60.00
Lease land rentals	60.00
Veterans Training Program	230.00
Town tax of $3.50	23,475.00
	$ 40,900.00

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Board of School Directors and
Citizens of Chelsea:

This report is for the school year ending June 30, 1951, and is a part of the report of the Board of School Directors required by law.

Three one-teacher schools and the village graded school were maintained for thirty-five weeks and the high school for thirty-six weeks. The average number of elementary school pupils enrolled was 183 and the average daily attendance was 170.42. Ten of these with an average daily attendance of 9.29 were residents of other school districts. The average number of high school pupils was 66 with an average daily attendance of 60.07. Six were residents of other districts. The average cost per pupil was, for elementary schools $141.35, and for high school $258.89. Forty-six elementary school children were transported at an average cost of $77.44 for the year.

The total number of different elementary school pupils enrolled was 197. One hundred sixty were promoted, seven were promoted conditionally, nine were not promoted, nineteen transferred to other schools, and two dropped out of school. Of sixty-seven different high school pupils enrolled fifty-four were promoted, one was promoted conditionally, four were not promoted, and eight dropped out of school. The vision and hearing of all were tested by the teachers and physical examinations were given eighty-nine children by a doctor.

The new gymnasium-auditorium and agricultural buildings have made it possible for the village school to function as a community center. The physical education program and school lunches have contributed much to the health, interest, and well-being of all of the children. The use of the school by adult groups has brought to-gether people with common interests. The village school is becomnig more valuable as a means to the betterment and enrichment of community life. Present needs of the school are: the employment of the services of an art teacher, the purchase of modern text books in the subjects of reading and geography, the repair of the roof of the village building,

and the repair and redecoration of some of the classrooms.

I am grateful to the school directors, parents, teachers, community organizations, and townspeople for their support.

Respectfully submitted,

A. COURTNEY PARKER,
Superintendent of Schools

GYMNASIUM ACCOUNT REPORT
Jan. 1, 1951 to Dec. 31, 1951

Repaid borrowed money	$ 900.00
Interest on money	930.00
Fred D. Somers & Sons, balance on heating plant	225.00
Total orders drawn	$ 2,055.00

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GYMNASIUM ACCOUNT TREASURER'S REPORT
Jan. 1, 1951 to Dec. 31, 1951

Receipts

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1951	$ 784.86
Town tax	1,676.82
Sale of tool bldg.	10.00
Sale of iron posts	15.00
Sale of lumber	154.74
Total	$ 2,641.42

Disbursements

Paid 1951 orders	2,055.00
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1952	$ 586.42

ESTHER E. SMITH, Treas.

GYMNASIUM ACCOUNT FINANCIAL STATEMENT
January 1, 1952

Assets

Cash on hand	$ 586.42

Liabilities

Notes payable	$ 30,500.00
Excess of liabilities over assets	$ 29,913.58

VETERANS' TRAINING PROGRAM REPORT

Total Receipts

Expenditures

Instructors—		
Raymond R. Rogers	$ 2,180.44	
Frederick Webster	756.44	
Howard Varney	234.60	
		$ 3,171.48
Collector of Internal Revenue		70.00
Commissioner of Taxes (State Tax)		5.76
State Teachers' Retirement		144.88
Mileage		475.58
Administrative Allowance		309.00
Janitor services		309.12
Supplies		220.03
Fuel		97.54
Electricity		109.78
Depreciation on tools		101.63
Liability and Fire insurance		38.72
Interest on borrowed money		1.00
Total orders drawn		$ 5,054.52
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1952		66.09

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TREASURER'S REPORT OF VETERANS' TRAINING PROGRAM

Jan. 1, 1951 to Dec. 31, 1951

Receipts

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1951	$ 513.27
Rec'd. from U. S. Treasury	4,407.34
Note at Bank	200.00
Total Receipts	$ 5,120.61

Disbursments

1951 orders paid	$ 5,054.52
Balance Jan. 1, 1952	$ 66.09

ESTHER E. SMITH, Treas.

VETERANS' TRAINING ACCOUNT FINANCIAL STATEMENT

January 1, 1952

Assets

Cash on hand	$	66.09
Tuition receivable		418.24
Total assets	$	484.33

Liabilities

Note payable		200.00
Excess of assets over liabilities	$	284.33

VITAL STATISTICS

Births

1951

Feb. 4—Rushworth, Anne Deborah, daughter to I. Samuel and Janice Maude (Berry).

Feb. 27—Lafley, Edward Archie, son to Herman H. and Thelma Celia (Bailey).

Apr. 8—Burgess, Dale Robert, son to Robert Charles and Barbara Alice (Naef).

May 4—Eastman, Donald Arthur, son to Everett Charles and Bertha May (Rabine).

May 5—Boardman, Dennis Harry, son to Alfred Kenneth and Phyllis Arlene (Mattoon).

June 25—Doyle, Teresa Faith, daughter to Merlin Tomas and Alice Mary (Taplin).

Aug. 7—Winters, Paul Stevan, son to Paul Vinal and Jennie Ada (Badger).

Aug. 8—Lyford, Connie, daughter to Charles Lewis and Cintra (Darling).

Aug. 13—Anderson, Joan Marie, daughter to Edwin Charles and Norma Sarah (Rogers).

Sept. 2—Darrale, Deborah Ann, daughter to Theodore Stanley and Cornelia Saunders Stott.

Oct. 1—Myers, Judy Ann, daughter to Lawrence Howard and Anna Eliza (Parker).

Nov. 3—Sanborn, Polly Joyce, daughter to Clyde George and Beatrice Irene (Armington).

Nov. 7—Chambers, Winston Herbert, son to Herbert Guy and Mabel Belle (Luce).

Nov. 27—Cummings, Johnnie Mae, daughter to Claudius Alonzo and Maxine (Carter) of Vershire.

Dec. 6—Downing, Joyce Arlene, daughter to Edgar Richard and Lillian Bell Aiken.

Dec. 19—Beebe, Janice Louise, daughter to Wilson Hallister and Polly Ann (Carpenter).

Dec. 21—Cahill, Terry Ann, daughter to Frederick Earl Joseph and Loretta Melvina (Guay).

Marriages

1950

Dec. 30—Grant, Arthur Walter of Chelsea and Pauline Bella L'Heureux of West Hartford, Conn.

1951

Feb. 3—George Post Bradshaw of Chelsea and Kathleen F. Harlow of Brookfield, Vt.

Mar. 10—Charles Lewis Lyford and Cintra Draling both of Chelsea.

Mar. 11—Clyde Lowell Hook and Bettyann Marline LaFrancis both of Chelsea.

June 2—John Andrew Liese of Chelsea and Cecilia Edna O'Connor of East Barre.

July 12—Mage Alfred Lyford of Chelsea and Ann Kathleen French of Hartford, Vt.

July 28—Richard William Brennan of Warehouse Point, Conn. and Alma Belle Carlson of Broad Brook, Conn.

Aug. 18—Paul Douglas Libby and Lillian Helen Sherlock both of Chelsea.

Aug. 24—Richard Darling Holmes of Chelsea and Thelma Carol Durkee of Tunbridge, Vt.

Aug. 31—Elmer E. Greene of Randolph, Vt. and Tyde P. Holsen Tucker of Chelsea, Vt.

Oct. 20—George Mose Davis of Strafford and Suzanne Amelia Pagac of Chelsea.

Dec. 31—Walter Richard Lyon and Agnes Elsie Carey Lyon both of Chelsea.

Deaths

1951

Jan. 15—Hopkins, Ida M., age 77 yrs.

Mar. 11—Magoon, Henry Arthur, 55 yrs.

Mar. 27—Blake, Fred D., age 91 yrs. 8 mos.

Mar. 28—Cleaves, Mabel Jannette, 90 yrs. 2 mos. 21 days in Tunbridge.

Apr. 13—Braman, Helen N. Smith, age 86 yrs. 2 mos. 15 days.

Apr. 18—Eastman, Lena (Braman), age 62 yrs. in Barre.

Apr. 24—Melvin, Winona, age 41 yrs. 8 mos. 20 days in Barre.

Apr. 28—Fitzgibbons, Sim B., age 67 yrs. in Hartford, Vt.

May 9—Koenig, Wilhelmina Caroline, age 91 yrs.

June 7—Flint, George, age 68 years in Barre.

Sept. 10—Dickinson, Dan Peaslee, age 62 years.

Oct. 22—Coburn, Guy Leslie Spaulding, age 87 years in Corinth.

Nov. 18—Grant, Leon Edward, age 70 years.

17. To see if the town will authorize its selectmen to contract with Chelsea Fire District No. 1 for fire protection of buildings and other property of the town outside said Fire District and within the town for the year beginning April 1, 1952.

18. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to continue the Revolving Medical Fund.

19. To vote on these questions:

Shall licenses for the sale of malt and vinous beverages be granted in this town?

Shall spirituous liquors be sold in this town?

20. To transact any other proper business.

ANGIER EDWARDS,
DEAN H. GILMAN,
WALTER L. KENNEDY,
Selectmen.

Chelsea, Vt., Feb. 18, 1952.

WARNING

The legal voters of the Town and Town School District of Chelsea are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Town Hall in Chelsea on Tuesday, the 4th day of March, A. D. 1952, at 10:30 o'clock A. M., to act on the following articles:

1. To choose a moderator and town clerk.

2. To receive and act upon the reports of the several town officers.

3. To see if the town will authorize its selectmen to appoint a road commissioner, and if so, whether one or two shall be appointed.

4. To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year.

5. To choose the town school district officers for the ensuing year.

6. To see what amount of tax the town school district will raise for the maintenance of schools.

7. To see what amount of tax the town school district will raise to retire the indebtedness of the high school gymnasium.

8. To see what amount of tax the town will vote for the maintenance of highways.

9. To raise money to pay the town's indebtedness and current expenses for the ensuing year.

10. To see if the town will authorize its selectmen to borrow money from time to time when necessary to carry on the business of the town.

11. To see if the town will vote to place its tax bills in the hands of the Town Treasurer for collection.

12. To see if the town will vote to collect taxes on real and personal property in installments.

13. To see if the town will vote to fix the compensation of town officers, and if so, how much.

14. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money for the support of the Chelsea Public Library, and if so, how much.

15. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money for the observance of Memorial day, and if so, how much.

16. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money to be used for Highland Cemetery, and if so, how much.

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